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ILLINOIS.

History of the Hon. J. L. Harris—Alleged Illegality of Republican Votes in Chicago.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Friday, Nov. 12, 1858.

I have just returned from the bedside of the Hon. JAMES L. HARRIS; probably the next letter you will receive must announce his death. You remember that during the last session of Congress he was scarcely able to perform the duties of his position on account of ill-health. He returned home and partially recovered, but was again prostrated by the accidental use of a poisonous drug. Apparently, he recovered from that also, but previous to the late election his health again failed, and he was unable to take any active part in the canvass, beyond writing a letter to the friends who had again put him in nomination. He insisted on being carried to the polls to vote, but has not since that day been able to leave his bed. It is almost impossible that he should ever leave it.

I need not say to you that Mr. HARRIS is a man of good abilities, of unyielding firmness of principle, and of unstained integrity of character. He entered Congress from this, the Sangamon district, after LINCOLN had lost his seat by opposing the Mexican war and supporting the Wilmot proviso. He acquired a good deal of popularity by advocating the land grant which led to the completion of the Illinois Central Railroad, and was reelected two years ago. When the Lecompton fraud came up he took ground with DOUGLAS in opposition to it, and his minority report, as one of the Committee of 15, will long be remembered as one of the ablest and most important documents connected with that struggle. He returned home in very feeble health, but was unanimously nominated for reelection. His career is ended, and when he departs there will be one honest, upright and patriotic member less in our halls of legislation.

HARRIS' majority in his District, by the official returns, counts up 4,556, an increase of 2,240 over his majority two years since.

There seems to be a doubt as to the legality of the election of the four Republican Representatives from Chicago. The illegality consists in an infraction of the law enacted Feb. 7, 1849, under the constitutional provision requiring that "All votes shall be given by ballot." (Constitution, Art. 6, Sec. 2.) The law reads as follows:

"The method of voting shall be by ballot, which ballot shall be folded by the voter and delivered to one of the Judges or Board of election, who shall, without unfolding or opening the same in any manner, deposit the said ballot in said ballot box; *provided*, that no ballot shall be received or counted unless the same is written or printed upon white paper, *without any marks or figures thereon, intended to distinguish one ballot from another.*"

The Republicans, with the intention of distinguishing their ballots as they were polled, caused an engraving to be made, similar to the machine engraving upon a bank-note, which they had printed upon the back side of every ticket they polled, so that in reality, excepting a few written and some split tickets, they have no legal votes cast for their candidates.

The only difficulty in the way of the vacation of their seats in favor of the Democrats is the great difficulty existing in this State of contesting an election at all, inasmuch as there is no law upon the statute-book requiring the preservation of the original ballots as cast; but this difficulty may be overcome by producing before a Commission of Justice the judges and clerks of election.

The law for this is found in the Statutes of Illinois by SCAMMEL, THEAT & BLACKWELL, part 2, under head "Elections," page 177, section 15. C. M.

Marine Affairs at the Isthmus—Peril of an American Bark, &c.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

ASPINWALL, Wednesday, Nov. 3.

On the afternoon of the 27th of October, the American bark *M. J. Colcord*, of Boston, OTIS MILLIKEN, master, bound from New-York to this port with a cargo of coal for the Panama Company, got ashore upon a reef which extends northward from Point Toro, and about five miles from this city. Her situation was discovered from the U. S. Flag-ship *Roanoke*, and several boats were immediately dispatched—one from the U. S. ship *Saratoga*—to her relief. After incessant labor, working night and day for 36 hours, sometimes during heavy rains, the bark was released from her critical position, with, as is believed, but slight injury, and through, as I learn, the indefatigable exertions of the Sailing-master of the *Roanoke*, Mr. EDWARD P. LULL, aided by the men and means placed under his charge, and she was brought safely to an anchorage near the Company's wharves, with only the loss of a few tons of coal, thrown overboard to lighten her.

If the United States vessels-of-war *Roanoke* and *Saratoga* had not been here, and relieved the bark promptly, it would have cost her owners at least $2,500 to have got her off, and the probability is that the relief from the shore would have been of no avail, because, had she remained another day, she must have bilged and become a total loss, from the heavy swell which swept in after she was secure from danger. Under these circumstances the owners, Messrs. A. B. BLANCHARD and others of Boston, should not hesitate to make Mr. LULL of the *Roanoke*, some suitable recognition for his services. I am informed that Mr. LULL is a very promising young officer; and, indeed, he did not leave the bark until she was brought into the harbor.

The *Granada* arrived only last evening from Havana, having been detained two days for the New-Orleans steamer to connect with her.

The United States flag-ship *Roanoke* and the *Saratoga* are in port: the *Savannah*, *Jamestown* and *Relief* are at San Juan del Norte.

H. M. steamer *Devastation*, Commodore KELLETT left here on the 23d ult. for San Juan del Norte. The *Leopard* and *Basilisk* are also there.

We are hourly looking for the arrival of the *Falcrous*, with Sir Wm. GEO. QUAILLY on board.

Naval Intelligence.

CAPTURE OF THE SUPPOSED SLAVER BROTHERS—OFFICIAL RECORD.—The Secretary of the Navy has received from Commodore T. W. BARRY, commanding officer of the sloop-of-war *Marion*, an account of the capture by him of the American *Ketch Brothers*, supposed to be a slaver. The *Marion* fell in with the *Brothers* off Mayumba, on the southwest coast of Africa, on the 8th of September.

In the opinion of Commander BARRY, ample evidence was found to justify the seizure of the vessel as a slaver. She was accordingly put into the possession of a prize crew, under command of Lieut. E. E. STORS, with directions to proceed to Charleston, S. C., Messrs. STREET & BROTHER, of that city, being her owners. The evidence under which she was seized, together with her papers, were sent to the United States Attorney for the District of Charleston. Commander BARRY expected to proceed immediately to Porto Praya, and report in detail to Flag-Officer CONOVER.

Lieut. STORS reports to the Department, under date of the 11th inst., his arrival at Charleston, S. C., after a voyage of 62 days. He parted company with the *Marion* on the evening of the 9th September. On the 15th of the same month, the *Vincennes*, Commander TOTTEN, was spoken in latitude 31° south, longitude 1° 20' east.

The *Vincennes* was from Porto Praya, bound to Loanda, where Commander TOTTEN expected to meet the flag-officer. The officers and crew of the vessel were all well.

Lieutenant STORS states that the persons found on board the *Brothers* at the time of her seizure were to be immediately transferred to the custody of the United States Marshal. Midshipman N. GAZZAM, three seamen, and seven seamen came with Lieutenant STORS in the *Brothers* as a prize crew.—*Washington Star.*

A Dinner for the Poor.

The House of Industry, established by L. M. PRATT in 1851, at the Five Points in this City, of which he is now the General Agent, has been for seven years past feeding and clothing the poor children of that locality, and at the present time is giving between 4,000 and 5,000 meals per week to the special objects of its care. Any day of the week may be seen nearly three hundred at the dinner-table of the house. It is now proposed, according to the custom of the institution, to give an extra feast on Thanksgiving Day to the children of the family and schools connected with the establishment. The benevolent, and all interested in the Mission work in that locality, are invited to participate in the exercises of the occasion. Addresses by the Rev. T. L. CUYLER, Judge HOFFMAN, M. PRATT, and others, together with music by the children, will make this a happy day at the House. Friends of the institution who have provisions, clothing, or any other article which they are disposed to give in aid of this object, are requested to send them, addressed either to P. R. BARROW or L. M. PRATT, House of Industry, Nos. 155, 157, and 159 Worth-street.

There is another Mission in the same locality, having the scene of its operations upon the site of the Old Brewery, which also proposes to give a free dinner to the Poor on Thanksgiving Day. Those who desire to contribute are requested to send their donations to the Rev. A. H. STEVENS, the Superintendent of the Mission.

The House of the Friendless also keep their usual Thanksgiving Festival. If our readers wish to learn how to be grateful and contented, let them go on Thanksgiving and look at the large company of children, who, either from the death, poverty or disinfuteness of their parents, have found shelter in this asylum for friendless little ones.

Board of County Canvassers.

THE ALLEGED FRAUDS IN THE THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT—REPORT OF MR. KENNEDY.

The Board met at noon yesterday, Mr. BLUNT in the Chair.

Mr. SCHLEIER presented corrections of the returns from the First and Fifth Districts of the Seventeenth Ward, which were adopted.

Mr. PURDY presented the following communication from two of the Canvassers of the Fourth District of the First Ward which, he said, he had received last week:

NEW-YORK, Nov. 12, 1858.

SIR: In reply to a note received from Supervisor Kennedy, bearing date Nov. 10, 1858, calling our attention to the action taken by the County Canvassers, in relation to the returns from the Fourth Election District of the First Ward, we desire to say that, in our judgment, there was nothing "defective or informal" about those returns. In canvassing the Congressional ticket, we found in the box in which those tickets were deposited a number of the Judiciary tickets, properly indorsed as such, which we added to those found in the Judiciary box; and in canvassing the Judiciary ticket, we found, on counting, that there was an excess of tickets in that box over what the poll-lists called for. In accordance with the provisions of the statute applying to such cases, we put the whole number of tickets back again, unopened, into the Judiciary box, and placed the same in such a position as to be unseen by one of the canvassers, who was designated by the Board, and he drew out of it a number of tickets equal to the excess as shown by the poll-lists; this being done, the tickets drawn out were destroyed, unopened. We then proceeded with the canvass, the result of which, our returns show. We consider that, in this matter, we have done our duty faithfully and fairly, and entirely according to law. Our returns were properly and correctly made out; the law prohibits us from altering those returns. Under these circumstances any interference with them on our part would, we consider, be unjust and unauthorized. The provision of the statute referred to above may be found on page 40 of "Practical directions." After providing that no ballot properly indorsed found in a box different from that designated by such indorsement shall be rejected, but shall be counted in the same manner as if found in the box designated by such indorsement, provided that by counting of such ballot or ballots it shall not produce an excess of votes over the number of voters as designated on the Poll-list—(Election Law, p. 14, sec. 39)—the act goes on to provide that if the ballots shall be found to exceed in number the whole number of votes on the corresponding columns of the poll-list, they shall be replaced in the box and one of the canvassers shall, without seeing the same, publicly draw out and destroy so many ballots unopened as shall be equal to such excess. (Ibid, sec. 16, amended 1857.) We regard the above provision of law as prohibiting us from alteration or changing any decision heretofore made by us and embodied in our return; viz.: "Such District Canvassers shall not at any such meeting change or alter any decision before made by them, but shall only cause their canvass to be correctly stated. (Election law, pp. 17, 18, sec. 15.) In conclusion we have to declare that the canvass of the Fourth District of the First Ward is correctly stated in our return; the canvassers were unanimous in their action, and we believe and are advised that every decision made by us is just and according to law. It is due to us, inasmuch as our action in this matter has been unfairly assailed, perhaps without a knowledge of the facts, that this statement should be communicated to the Board of Supervisors, which we respectfully request you to do, so that it may be made public. Very respectfully, your obedient servants,

JOHN COFFEY,
WILLIAM KENNY,
Canvassers of the 4th Election District, First Ward.

To ELIJAH F. PURDY, Esq., Chairman Board of County Canvassers.

N. B.—We would here state that we addressed a copy of this communication to Supervisor Kennedy.

State of New-York, City and County of New-York, ss.—John Coffey and William Kenny, being duly sworn, depose and say that the facts and statements set forth in the above communication are true.

JOHN COFFEY,
WILLIAM KENNY.

Sworn before me Nov. 12, 1858.

W. H. SEWARD, Commissioner of Deeds.

Mr. Kennedy—As this is out of place at this time, I have nothing to say.

Mr. Purdy—When ought it to be in place?

Mr. Kennedy—When my report is handed in.

Mr. Purdy said he thought it perfectly in order to present the communication then, so that the Board might understand the whole matter.

Mr. Kennedy—Why did you keep it back?

Mr. Purdy—Because I was advised to do so by the presiding officer.

Mr. Kennedy—If you are governed in your action by the presiding officer, I have nothing to say.

Mr. Purdy—I am not governed in my action by the presiding officer, but I acted by his advice, certainly.

Mr. Blunt (in the chair) said he had suggested to Mr. Purdy that the proper time to present this communication would be when the report of Mr. Kennedy came up for action, but he had no objection to receive it now. No objection had been made to its reception.

Mr. Kennedy said he would have objected if he had known what it was. He moved to lay it on the table.

A lengthy debate followed.

Mr. Stillman thought the paper should be referred to Mr. Kennedy, who had been appointed to investigate the whole matter.

Mr. Purdy said it could not be referred. If there was an error or omission in any of the returns, a member could be delegated to confer with the District Canvassers about it, but if the latter did not make any correction, the Board could not go behind their return.

Mr. Kennedy—You had better hear the report of the delegate before you proceed any further.

Mr. Purdy—I know what I'm about, Sir.

Mr. Kennedy—I don't believe you do.

Mr. Purdy—Well, that is a matter of opinion.

Mr. Kennedy—But I know what I'm about, for I'm going to present my report.

Mr. Purdy—Is it a written report?

Mr. Kennedy—It is, Sir.

Mr. Purdy—The gentleman knows that no such report can be entertained here. I say it is unusual to receive a written report, and there is no precedent requiring the Board of County Canvassers to receive a report in relation to any matter.

Mr. Kennedy—Why, you received a communication just now.

Mr. Purdy—In relation to any matter respecting the action of persons elected by the people.

Mr. Kennedy—Wasn't I elected by the people?

Mr. Purdy—Yes, Sir, but to perform a very different duty.

Mr. Kennedy—Well, we will see.

Mr. Kennedy said that while the matter was in his hands, he might regard it as an insult for these canvassers to send that communication to the Board with a view of forestalling any report from him, if it came from any other persons. He was ready at the proper time to present his report, and with it he should present the counter-statement of these canvassers, but without the affidavit. They knew he had it, and they knew that he would use it merely for the purpose of placing it where it could be used by the Courts hereafter—he told them that fairly.

After much further debate, to little purpose, it was resolved that the statement of the canvassers be entered on the minutes, and that further action with regard to it be postponed until the next day.

Mr. Kennedy then submitted the following report:

To the County Canvassers:

The undersigned, to whom was delegated the duty of having the returns of the Fourth Election District of the First Ward corrected by the canvassers of the District, respectfully report:

That the errors apparent in the canvass consist in too large a number of votes for member of Congress, and too small a number for Justice of the Superior Court, when compared with the poll-book, the poll-book making it appear that but one hundred and eight persons voted during the election, and of that number only one hundred and three voted the Congress ticket. The returns show an aggregate of one hundred and three votes, while in the detail votes are given which foot up one hundred and twenty-six for the Congress ticket.

Votes, for Daniel E. Sickles, 70; for Hiram Walbridge, 21; for Amor J. Williamson, 34, and for Gen. Hiram Walbridge one vote, bring an excess of 16 votes over the whole number of persons who voted at the election, and an excess of 23 over the number enrolled as voting the Congress ticket.

The five persons who are recorded as voting at the election, and who did not vote the Congress ticket, are No. 50, Thos. W. Pell; No. 51, T. F. Dwecker; No. 78, Benj. E. Smith; No. 96, Thos. Haley; and No. 97, Thos. M. Kenna. The poll-book shows that 102 persons voted the Judiciary ticket; the returns show an aggregate of 88 votes for Justice, and do not account for the deficiency of 14 votes.

In the discharge of his duty the undersigned notified Messrs. John Coffey, Wm. Kenny, and Wm. Stokely, to meet him for the purpose intended by the reference. These gentlemen were all present, and on being interrogated made it appear that the poll list showing that 102 persons had voted at the poll on the last election was not questioned, and that no more than 102 persons had so voted; that of this number only 103 had been marked on the poll list as having voted for Congress; that on counting the ballots for Congress, there appeared a deficiency of votes in the box. The largest number stated by either of the canvassers was 102, the smallest 97 votes. One other of the canvassers said the number of ballots was short; he could not remember the exact number, but there was a difference of "a few votes." The third canvasser, the only one who kept private memoranda of the canvass, stated, both by memory and by reference to his private memorandum, that the deficiency was one vote.

It appears that one vote found in the State box, indorsed "Congress," in favor of Daniel E. Sickles, was transferred to the Congressional canvass, and the vote added to those found in the Congress box; and which, according to canvasser Stokely, who kept the private memoranda, made the Congressional vote complete, and filled up the Congressional votes to the number required by the poll-list. And this result is sustained by the subsequent proceedings, when the addition of 23 votes made a total of 126.

The result of this canvass was duly announced at the time as follows: Daniel E. Sickles, for Amor J. Williamson, 51; for Hiram Walbridge, 21; and 1 for G. Hiram Walbridge, a total of 103 votes. From the several statements of the canvassers it also appears that when the box containing the votes of Justice of the Superior Court was being canvassed, an excess of 21 votes was found therein. This excess was drawn out in the ordinary manner. The ballots thus drawn out were destroyed, and the ballots in the box were thereby reduced to 103. On them remaining ballots in the Judiciary box being counted, the result was, 50 votes for James Monerief and 38 for Stephen J. Bonney for Justice, and 15 for Daniel E. Sickles for Congress, making a total of 103 votes. The returns show 51 votes for Mr. Monerief and 38 for Mr. Bonney, making a total of 89 votes, and leaving a deficiency of but sixteen votes.

All agree that whatever the number of the Congress votes were in the Judiciary box, the votes were added to those already allowed to Mr. Sickles. And as the addition of 16 to 103 would make but 119, there would be a deficiency of seven on the aggregate vote as shown by the returns. And it would be necessary to account in some other way for the seven votes which are required to make the number of 126, which is the footing of the details of the returns on the vote for Congress. Mr. Coffey states, from memory, that 23 or 24 votes for Mr. Sickles found in the Judiciary box were added to those already allowed him, and Mr. Stokely, from memory and his notes, said that in the Judiciary box were found 23 votes for Daniel E. Sickles for Congress; that these 23 votes were ordered by a majority of the Canvassers to be added to the votes allowed to Mr. Sickles; that he protested against the proceeding, but was overruled.

If the statement of Kenny could be believed, that there was a deficiency of about four votes in the Congress box when the ballots were first counted, it would be no matter of worse; for in that case the 23 votes added to the 96, which he voted, reduce the first canvass 96, would leave 5 votes in the 126 entirely unaccounted for; and in that event would have to be regarded as placed there without even the poor plea of being transferred from another box, when the full complement of votes were made up in the box to which they were thus transferred.

That the statement in the return, that Monerief received 51 votes, and Bonney received 38, making a total of 89 votes, is incorrect, is evident from the fact that the remainder of 16 votes between 89 and 102, does not correspond with the number carried from the Judiciary box to the Congress canvass as stated by either Mr. Coffey or Mr. Stokely, one of whom says the number was "23 or 24," and the other says positively by his notes the number was 23. Nor would the difficulty be in any way relieved by adopting the statement of the votes cast for Justices in the return as correct; on the contrary, it would add to the embarrassment by leaving 7 votes in the 126 uncounted for.

There can be no doubt but that the true return for Congress is that originally announced, viz.: For Daniel E. Sickles, 47 votes; for Amor J. Williamson, 34 votes; for Hiram Walbridge, 21 votes; and for G. Hiram Walbridge, 1 vote. Total, 103 votes.

The undersigned, regarding it doubtful whether the District Canvassers are authorized by law to so amend their returns as to reverse any decision they had made while in the discharge of their duties as canvassers, no matter how erroneous it might be, their functions of office in that respect having been exhausted, he did not demand any alteration in the form of the return as made, but reports it to the Board in the same condition, in all respects, as when referred to his charge. As submitted to this Board, it is subject to examination by the House of Representatives, should a contested election make it necessary there, and is capable of being used in Court, should a prosecution for fraudulent returns be deemed advisable here.

Herewith are appended the minutes of the statements made to the undersigned by the canvassers, in his interviews with them. Not feeling himself authorized to examine under oath, the canvassers were not sworn by him. Nor did he, in view of the lack of obligation and responsibility in an affidavit made under such circumstances, deem it proper to have a formal examination in that form. Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. KENNEDY,
Of the Board of County Canvassers.

NEW-YORK, Nov. 16, 1858.

Mr. KENNEDY then read the statements of the canvassers made to him, as already published in the TIMES, and the letter of Messrs. Coffey and Kenny (given above) without the verification. He said that in accordance with the stipulation made with Mr. Sickles, the report would be the special order at the meeting next day.

Mr. KENNEDY also presented the statement of Messrs. E. B. Shafer, Stephen Wm. Swift and Sheridan Shoko, Canvassers of the Third District of the Third Ward, upon whose returns no vote for Judge of the Superior Court was set down. It had been sent back to them for correction, and they now pleaded that the omission was an oversight, but the papers indicating what the vote was had been destroyed, and they could not now ascertain what it was. On motion the rest of the returns from that District were confirmed, and the Board adjourned to 12 M. to-day.

City Politics.

THE TAMMANY CONVENTION.

NOMINATION FOR COMPTROLLER AND GOVERNOR OF THE ALMSHOUSE.

The Tammany Hall Democratic City Convention met last evening at the "Old Wigwam" for the purpose of nominating candidates for Comptroller and Governor of the Almshouse. The greatest interest was manifested in the result, and the hall and its surroundings were thronged for hours before the time mentioned for the meeting of the Convention, which was called to order at 7½ o'clock.

WM. M. TWEED was chosen Chairman, and JOHN H. WILLIAMS and JAMES J. GUERRERON were appointed Secretaries. One hundred and nine delegates were found to be present, there being but one absentee—Councilmen A. J. MCCARTHY of the Third Ward.

The seats of Messrs. DUGRO and RILEY, of the Seventeenth Ward, were contested by Messrs. WALLACE and PERLMAN. This gave rise to a long and warm discussion, but Messrs. DUGRO and RILEY were finally sustained by a large vote, because their certificates were signed by a majority of the Inspectors.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for a candidate for Comptroller. The first (and last) vote stood thus:

George H. Purser	73	John R. Briggs	5
Richard B. Connolly	31		

Mr. PURSER was thereupon declared nominated. The result was hailed with great cheering.

A ballot was then had for Governor of the Almshouse, which resulted as follows:

Isaac Townsend	84	Stephen Kelly	1
Wm. A. Turnure	22	Wm. Baird	1

Mr. TOWNSEND was declared nominated, and afterwards both nominations were declared to be unanimous, and the Convention then adjourned.

AMERICAN ALDERMANIC CONVENTIONS.

The various American Aldermanic Conventions met last evening in their respective Districts. No nominations were made in the First, Second or Third Districts, or, so far as learned, in any of the other Districts—the Conventions adjourning to another evening.

REGULARS' ALDERMANIC NOMINATION.

An adjourned meeting of the Regulars' Aldermanic Convention for the First District, which embraces the First, Second, and portions of the Third, Fourth and Sixth Wards, was held last evening at the Howard Hotel, Broadway. WM. E. ENSIGN, of the First Ward, was nominated for Alderman on the first ballot.

REPUBLICAN WARD NOMINATION.

An adjourned meeting of the Second Ward Republican Ward Convention was held last evening at the Clifton House, No. 19 Beekman-st. EDWARD D. PRIME was nominated for School Commissioner, and JOSEPH R. REID and CALVIN CASE, for Constables.

The Republican Aldermanic Convention of the First District have not yet made any nomination. It was erroneously stated in some of the papers that Mr. HIRAM CORWIN was the nominee. The Convention will meet to nominate a candidate for Alderman on Saturday evening next.

The Indicted City Government.

COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER.

Before the Hon. Judge Mullen.

The People vs. *Fernando Wood et al.*—At the opening of this Court, yesterday, Mr. Blunt, the District-Attorney, announced that he deemed it advisable, after consultation, to bring the legality of the quashing of the second count in the indictment before the General Term. For that purpose he had obtained a writ of error, and the motion would be heard before the General Term, with a full Bench, at the earliest opportunity.

The Jurors were discharged till Monday, when the case of Joseph R. Taylor, indicted for defrauding the City Treasury in the grading of Fifty-fourth-street, will be taken up.

In the reports of certain newspapers relative to the calling of the names of the Councilmen by the Clerk of that Board, in reference to the lease for the granting of which the indictment was found, it was stated that the mistake of including in the indictment members of the Board who were not present, and did not vote for the resolution which is the subject of the complaint, arose from the loose manner in which the yeas and nays were recorded, inasmuch as the Clerk of the Common Council was in the habit of recording as voting in the affirmative all who did not vote in the negative. That statement tends to reflect somewhat on Mr. David T. Valentine, the worthy Clerk of the Common Council, whereas it was meant to apply to Mr. Charles McClenachan, the Clerk of the Board of Councilmen. This latter gentleman relieves Mr. Valentine from all responsibility in the matter, and gives a very satisfactory account of the reason why this loose mode of doing business in his Board happens to have been adopted. His reasons are stated in the form of an affidavit. In this affidavit he states that he, by the express instructions of the President of the Board of Councilmen—which instructions were acquiesced in by the Board—the Clerk was compelled to record as voting in the affirmative all who do not vote in the negative; and that, in some instances, where the Clerk had declined to follow these instructions he was directed to amend the journal in that way. This completely exonerates Messrs. Valentine and McClenachan from all responsibility in the matter, and places it where it properly belongs—on the shoulders of the President and Board of Councilmen. It is worthy of remark, in this connection, that it is positively stated, as capable of proof, that some of the Councilmen who have filed affidavits that they were not present and did not vote on the resolution, were actually present and did actually vote in favor of its passage.

A movement is on foot in Boston for the formation of a party in favor of the enforcement of the laws against drinking-houses. A Charter ticket on this platform is to be put up.

Retrospect of a Year's Crime.

FIRST ANNUAL METROPOLITAN POLICE REPORT.

The first Annual Report of the Metropolitan Police has just been prepared by Deputy Superintendent CARVEROS for presentation to the Police Commissioners. The report presents a full exhibit of the amounted labor performed by the Police during the year; the number of arrests for offences against persons and property; the sex and nativity of those arrested; the amount of property stolen and recovered; the operations of the Police Telegraph; the number of fires; the number of lodgers at the Station-houses, and other matters connected with and coming directly under the surveillance of the Police Department. The figures in every respect—excepting in the number of men comprising the force—considerably exceed those given in the last annual report of Ex-Chief MAYNARD, of the Municipal Police. We give below all the facts of material interest contained in the report.

The whole force is 1,347, divided as follows: 29 Captains, 104 Sergeants, 44 Roundsmen, 970 Patrolmen, 61 detailed men, and 88 Doorkeepers. The total number of arrests has been 60,805. A specification of the offences and arrests for each offence is contained in the following table:

Offences Against the Person.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Assault with Intent to Kill	159	27	186
Assault and Battery	4,629	1,798	6,427
Assault on Policemen	109	8	117
Aiding and Assisting to Escape	72	6	78
Bigamy	1	0	1
Disorderly Conduct	8,868	2,484	9,352
Felonious Assault	69	65	134
Fighting in the Street	1,022	165	1,187
Insanity	58	12	70
Intoxication	9,420	5,820	15,240
Intoxication and Disorderly Conduct	6,913	2,433	9,346
Indecent Exposure of the Person	97	4	101
Misdemeanors, (miscellaneous)	1,124	495	1,619
Threatening Life	40	4	44
Vagrancy	1,346	1,573	2,919
Murder	60	6	66
Manslaughter	20	10	27
Deserters	19	1	20
Escaped Convicts	30	1	31
Perjury	20	1	21
Attempt at Suicide	1	2	3
Insulting Females in the Street	65		65
Attempt at Rape	21		21
Bastardy	67		67
Habitual Drunkenness	111	3	114
Runaway Apprentices	18	6	24
Accessory to Murder	1	3	4
Escape from Juvenile Asylum	1		1
Infanticide	1	2	3
Imposter	1		1
Prostitution		13	13
Suspicious Persons	16		16
Suspicion of Murder	1	7	8
Solicitation	21		21
Interfering with Policemen	14		14
Rape	23		23
Rescuing Prisoners	39	1	40
Juvenile Delinquents	11	1	12
Libel	5		5
Mayhem	2		2
Carrying Slung-shot	3		3
Abortion	1	1	2
Kidnapping	1		1
Letting Houses for Prostitution	1		1
Keeping Disorderly House	155	80	235
Model Artists		6	6
Total	33,634	16,075	49,419

Offences against Property.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Attempt to Steal	398	93	491
Attempt at Burglary	430	8	438
Embezzlement	60		60
Forgery	48	3	51
Fraud	147	4	151
Grand Larceny	909	278	1,187
Petit Larceny	3,374	1,193	4,567
Gambling	161		161
Pickpockets	496	113	609
Robbing in the First Degree	150	36	186
Receiving Stolen Goods	100	26	126
Violating Corporation Ordinances	2,020	150	2,170
Violating Quarantine Law	79		79
Arson	26	4	30
Constructive Larceny	60	11	71
Obtaining Goods under False Pret'ces	152	7	159
Malicious Mischief	6	1	7
False Pretences	49	1	50
Selling Lottery Policies	253	6	259
Violating City Charter	1		1
Highway Robbery	12		12
Violation Pilot Laws	1		1
Violation Sunday Liquor Law	143	15	158
Violation of the Squatter Law	1		1
Violation of the Election Law	37		37
Passing Counterfeit Money	318	42	360
Ticket Swindling	27		27
Mutiny	49		49
Rioting	36		36
Attempt at Arson	4		4
Selling Obscene Books	11		11
Shop-Lifting	3		3
Total	9,478	1,978	11,456

The nativity of those arrested is as follows:

Ireland, 36,065; United States, 10,309; Germany, 5,932; England, 2,508; Scotland, 869; France, 367; Canada, 201; Italy, 157; Spain, 47; Poland, 43; Sweden, 20; Norway, 11; Holland, 10; Prussia, 10; China, 8; West Indies, 6; Denmark, 6; Switzerland, 8; Belgium, 2; Nova Scotia, 1; Mexico, 1; Chili, 1; Unknown, 4,287.

Among these were 566 colored persons.

The amount of property reported as having been stolen is $137,445 78, of which $83,342 47 has been recovered, leaving a balance unrecovered of $54,112 31.

From the Telegraph Office there have been sent 75,356 messages. Lost children restored to parents, 4,223. Fires extinguished, 468. Stores found open, 257. Rescued from drowning, 31. Abandoned infants, 23. Lodged in the Station-houses, 52,127. During the year there have been made 19,302 complaints to the District-Attorney for violation of the Sunday Liquor Law. About 12,000 days have been lost by Policemen being sick and disabled from duty.

Medical Dinner for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Medical Men had its 16th annual dinner last evening. Dinner was on the table at 7½, and Dr. ISAAC WOOD presided over it with dignity and spirit. It was at the Astor House, and of course another word about the character of the feast would be superfluous. It was at an early hour that the cloths were cleared and the President presented the annual statement for 1858, by which it appears that the Society's amount of funds on mortgage is now $36,200; that the receipts since September, 1857, were $2,276; derived from interest, $1,826; the initiation fees and annual dues, $455, and donations $15; that the disbursements for the same period were $808. The whole number of members at present is 108, of which 24 were elected during the year; 59 were for life, 49 annual subscribers. The "benefactors" now number 26. The officers of the Society are ISAAC WOOD, M. D., President; JAS. ANDERSON, M. D., G. P. CAMMANN, M. D., R. D. RUSKINS, M. D., Vice-Presidents; ED. L. BEARDS, M. D., Treasurer; and J. W. G. CLEMENTS, M. D., Secretary. The President referred, with eulogies, to the deaths of two members during the year—Drs. POWELL and F. U. JOHNSTON. He then read the first toast, which complimented the Society. Dr. WILLARD PARKER responded, dwelling principally upon the origin and the principles of the Association. The second toast spoke of the three learned professions as necessary evils in society. The Rev. Dr. OSGOOD replying, made some capital hits touching the two professions Medical and Clerical. Both had the same subject: Man who naturally loves physic, and to torture himself to please God. The good physician's function was to advise the sufferer away from medicine—the clergyman's to convince the self-tormenting penitent that Moloch, not God, loves pain—that God loves the sacrifice of love, because it is love. They were alike in their social positions; in the large sensitive surfaces they presented to surly, soulless men, in their habits of charity. He concluded toasting the "Noble Merchants of New-York"—tendering honor to the many among them who knew how to be just and generous to the learned professions and their families.

RICHARD O. GOSMAN, Esq., followed in an eloquent strain, joining his own to the Holy Alliance of professions.

Dr. JAMES R. WOOD, being everywhere demanded, spoke for the medical profession, speaking handsomely of the clergy generally, but protesting that there were clergymen in towns who did more to dose people with physic than any quacks besides. He commended all such to desirable seats in Dr. OSGOOD's church, where not only true religion, but orthodox medicine, might be heard. There were lawyers, too, so hot after the stupidities of surgeons, that we almost trembled to come into a lawyer's presence. He apologized for telling so much truth, but thought the exigencies of the times excused him. Touching upon home sanitary measures, he reminded his hearers that this was the most unhealthy City in the world, and invoked the physician to keep it before the people, who would not look to their own interests, health or lives even. In conclusion, he proposed "The Orthodox of the three learned professions—they are a true Trinity."

The next toast was in honor of the "Army and Navy," to which Dr. SATTERLEE replied, narrating colloquially the incidents of a single year in the Army. Dr. SURRAY added a brief postscript.

There was a penalty to receive proposals for membership, and then "Our Medical Charities" were given, and Dr. STEVENS, in a two minutes' speech, made clear the peculiar characteristics of the New-York Hospitals—that they are schools of practical instruction for the cure of disease—avoiding the theo-

Homicide in South Brooklyn—Escape of the Perpetrator.

One of those events which has long since ceased to be a novelty in either New-York or Brooklyn, occurred last evening in Columbia-street, South Brooklyn, in the vicinity of Kelsey's-alley, and near Fort Clark's porter-house. The history of the affair, so near as can be gathered, is as follows:

On Monday last an Irishman named JOHN FERRY was arrested on complaint of one WALLACE, whom FERRY had knocked down. He was tried before Judge CONOVER, convicted and sentenced to thirty days in the Penitentiary. This case, it seems, had furnished the staple for sundry arguments in the low grog-shops and porter-houses in the neighborhood of Columbia-street, where the parties were known, and where they had their supporters and backers. Last night these misunderstandings flared into a fight between WALLACE, the complainant against FERRY, and HARE, who lived in the street, and from words came to blows. While the fight was progressing between WALLACE and HARE, a well-known fighting character who goes by the name of "Big Will Collins," came along and interfered, taking WALLACE's part. It is alleged that he knocked HARE down and kicked him several times in the stomach, and then escaped. HARE died immediately.

The police were notified, and turned out en masse to the number of twenty-five men to search for the murderer, but up to a late hour last night, nothing had been heard or seen of him. It is presumed he concealed himself somewhere in the neighborhood, and will attempt to escape. HARE is about eighteen years of age, and it is said, ranked with the class of young men who frequent porter-houses, and COLLINS is well known in Brooklyn as a quarrelsome person, and is now under indictment for stabbing a man in a place called "the Rock," in Atlantic-street last Winter. He is employed in the Navy yard, is about six feet high; weighs about 200 pounds; has a slight stoop in the shoulders, and is pock-marked in the face.

Dr. BALL, Police surgeon, examined the deceased and found a slight bruise beneath one of the eyes, a few scratches on the neck, and some bruises in the stomach.

An inquest will be held to-day by Coroner ROSSIER.

Terrible Conflagration in Providence—Loss $300,000.

From the Providence Daily Post, 16th.

Last evening, about 7½ o'clock, a fire broke out in a basement room in the northwest corner of Howard Block, used by Messrs. ANTHONY, DUNHAM & Co. as a glasstare room, and almost instantly the flames ran up the hoistway to the fifth or upper story, where they communicated to a lot of half-manufactured tin. The fire soon became general and alarming. The Theatre Building, adjoining Howard Block on the east side, also caught, and was entirely destroyed. The one-story wooden building next east of the theatre, belonging to WALTER R. DANFORTH, was being crushed by the falling walls. Most of the goods had been previously removed.

"Howard Block" was a five-story brick building extending from Westminster-street to Exchange-place. There were about a dozen stores in the first story, some of them, however, unoccupied. Three of the stores were occupied by G. & C. F. HIRSCHL, for the sale of gas fixtures, china, glass and crockery ware. A portion of their stock was removed, but their loss will be heav

THE COAST SURVEY.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The nature of civil government renders it, in a certain degree, a monopoly; and, however metes that feature may be obscured under institutions which in theory are free, the Executive Department will nevertheless be, to all intents and purposes, a monopoly. When all the places, under whatever Government, are filled, it will be found that the one, in point of number, bears no comparison with the rest; and that to the ceaseless struggle between such as hold and such as seek office there is commonly added another—to create additional departments in the public service. Propositions to that end are sure to receive the countenance of all who covet the public money, of all who covet power, and also of that large and rapidly increasing class which seeks, in the ease of public service, to avoid the diligence demanded by private employment, and in its opportunities the chance to grow "fat upon the drippings of unclean legislation."

The popular features of our system have proved no safeguard against governmental extravagance or official rapacity. It may even be doubted whether any other Government has existed, which increased the public expenditure, in an equal ratio, with equal impunity. The subjects of the most staid monarchy in Europe were goaded into rebellion and deposed the reigning family, chiefly on account of exactions to support or enrich an army of governmental officials, whose exactions exceed but little those practiced under our own Government upon the same object. Seldom, indeed, have the rulers exhibited such indifference to the cost of ruling. The earlier administrations did not escape arraignment for alleged extravagance of expenditure for the public service; yet they are marvels of frugality, contrasted with those which have succeeded them. The country went through the Mexican war under an expenditure of fifty-three millions for its most expensive year, which was held to be monstrous, and perhaps was wasteful. But it would be curious if a prosecutor of the administration of JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, for prodigality, could bring his action now into a court sitting under an administration which has absorbed one hundred and seven millions for federal purposes, in a year of profound peace.

The enormous increase of federal expenditure has not happened without notice to the nation. Faithful and honest men, in and out of Congress, have, day by day, called public attention to the fact; but ears that once tingled at the trifles of the "cent room" are not touched now by disclosures of the gravest importance. A few promises of economy, made in view of elections, repeated at intervals, and regularly violated thereafter, is all that has come of earnest protest and sage warning. Now, however, that prophecy has become fact, the economist will have a more attentive hearing. The imminence of a direct tax for the support of the General Government is likely to arrest attention, and, unless the jobbing interest has so perfect control of the people as it has of the Government, the people will not merely consent, but demand of their representatives that the expenses of Government be reduced, and that an end be made of the plundering which disgraces almost every branch of the public service, to the corruption of public morals and the impoverishment of the nation. If popular instruction and moral suasion shall equally fail to set the next Congress at work to stop leaks in the public treasury, it requires but ordinary sagacity to see that it can scarcely escape being starved into it.

Whenever that body shall address itself to this business, it will be found that few shot of greater magnitude have penetrated the treasury, below the water-line, than such as have been fired from that Parthian of extravagance, the COAST SURVEY. The object contemplated by Congress and by the people, understood to be the aim of the Coast Survey, is laudable enough. Exception is taken only to the mode in which it is prosecuted, and to the incongruous and unworthy purposes it is made to serve, which have caused a shameful waste of the public money, and a more shameful abuse of official patronage and authority.

To present the matter fully, access to public documents, and to the departments is needed, neither of which sources is available for this location; but from some stray publication a few statistics have been gleaned, which excite rather than gratify curiosity concerning this most powerful and costly appendage of the Government.

The entire appropriations by Congress to the U. S. Coast Survey, prior to 1843, amount to $372,000 in the following sums and years:

1833	$20,000	1839	90,000
1834	20,000	1840	90,000
1835	20,000	1841	100,000
1836	20,000	1842	100,000
1837	20,000	1843	100,000
1838	20,000		
Total			$792,000

The total of appropriations for this purpose, from 1807 to 1842, it will be seen, is $792,000. In the latter year, the present Superintendent was appointed, and under his auspices the appropriations have been as follows:

1843	$150,000	1847	310,000
1844	80,000	1848	405,110
1845	100,000	1849	280,000
1846	121,000	1850	285,000
1847	145,000	1851	445,000
1848	165,000	1852	500,000
1849	200,000	1853	545,000
1850	225,000		
		Total	$4,321,110

It is doubtful if our language can furnish words which will so well describe the peculiar talent of the Superintendent, or so well illustrate his skill in applying it, as do these figures. Means are not at hand to determine whether the appropriation of $150,000, in 1843, was made upon his requisition or upon the estimate of his predecessor; but the modest $80,000 of 1844, was undoubtedly of his own proposing. Now the appointing power must have felicitated itself upon the acquisition of a Superintendent who seemed to promise improvement upon the economy of HASSLER. In 1842, the Select Committee of Congress asked that distinguished man, "Do you think that, under the most favorable circumstances, and with a continuance of a yearly appropriation of $100,000, the survey of the coast can be completed in twenty years?" He replied, "Perhaps. The progress is slower at first, and the means increase as the work proceeds." Mark how the theory of HASSLER and the practice of the present Superintendent repel each other; and how the one has misused the peace conferred by the other, for the Coast Survey. It was at that session HASSLER vindicated the utility, of a survey of the coast, with such power that not even the management of the present Superintendent has as yet neutralized it:

"The progress is slower at first, and the means increase as the work proceeds," is the rule of the founder of the work, and the abest administrator ever connected with it. As the work proceeds and the means increase, progress is slower and the cost heavier—is the mode of his successor. The show of economy and retrenchment began and ended with 1844. Year by year, as he was able to entrench and fortify his position by increase of the patronage of his own department, as by procuring the exemption of the patronage of others, the appropriations of the Coast Survey have grown, until, after fifteen years' increase of means, the important element in HASSLER'S estimate, half a million, no longer serves for the expenses of a single year; and, during his term, Congress has granted to the Coast Survey the enormous amount of $4,321,110!

Mr. EVERETT, speaking of the Coast Survey, says: "The entire work, I need scarcely say, is one of practical astronomy." The head of it, therefore, may be deemed and taken to be an astronomer. The popular idea of the character would show to be a man of science abstracted from secular affairs, much given to looking upwards, surrounded by instruments and apparatus upon which the unlearned look with wonder always, and sometimes with awe. One who sits now in the chair of HASSLER!

An astronomer, with a salary of $6,000 per annum, called the Superintendent, with the following staff:

1 Assistant at	$3,000	1 Sub-assistant at	1,200
3 do	2,500	1 do	1,000
1 do	2,200	1 do	800
1 do	2,100	1 do	600
1 do	2,000	1 Computer	1,000
1 do	1,800	1 do	900
2 do	1,700	1 do	800
2 do	1,500	1 do	100
1 do	1,300	1 Draftsman	900
4 do	1,200	1 do	800
		2 Draftsmen at $4 50 and $3 70 per day	
		13 Engravers, eight of whom receive and five, wages by the day or hour	13,400
		1 Instrument maker at	2,000
		1 Electrotypist at	2,000
		1 Disbursing agent at	2,000
		2 Clerks at	1,400
		1 Clerk at	1,300
		1 Clerk at	1,200
		1 Clerk at	1,100

An astronomer, with such a redacted staff, prosecute "practical astronomy" upon a scale which would leave him little leisure for enterprises not connected with his science or his office—but the Superintendent is an astronomer, *sui generis*. His penchant is to survey everything, and then to be monarch of all he surveys. He determined to survey the Light-house system of the United States; and opposed, though he was, by eminent and efficient members of Congress, they shared the fate of all who have hitherto opposed him, and the chair of HASSLER is, to this day, the throne of that system, and an astronomer dictates the building of light-houses, contracts for oil, and divers other matters, which may be appreciated by footing up the cost of the system under his *regime*, and contrasting it with the cost under the old one. The Smithsonian Institute was an establishment which, from its design, might be invested and taken by an astronomer for the sake of science. And in spite of all opposition, like the Light-house system, it became and remains, practically, a mere appendage of the Coast Survey, and the will of its venerable founder is fulfilled by making it an Intelligence Office "for the diffusion of knowledge of certain professors among men." With the sharpness of vision common in "practical observers," it was discovered that an accession of patronage was possible under the form of publishing a Nautical Almanac. Congress, as usual, registered the decree and authorized the publication of it in 1849. It serves as an apology for paying some employes of various grades annually; and beyond that, it is not known to serve any purpose whatever. It is not in use among navigators, while a ship would as soon be sent to sea without charts as without the English Nautical Almanac, prepared by "that fellow HIND," as he is courteously denominated by Professor PEIRCE, one of the editors of the discarded publication.

By means of such and kindred appliances, the Superintendent of the Coast Survey has become, beyond all controversy, the most powerful functionary under this Government. The very Secretary, whose subordinate he is, in law, is by no means his equal in power and influence. Congress may fail the Secretary—it never does his subordinate. He is beyond the reach of the rearing and plunging of the party, which unhorses Presidents and Secretaries; and under whatever Administration, he is the same serene and plausible leech upon the Treasury. There is not a square mile, inhabited, under United States jurisdiction, which does not hold a partisan of his own, or of some member of the cordon which defends his position. Bishops, priests and deacons in the Church; presidents, professors and tutors in colleges; and professors out of colleges, whose relations to the Press are suitable, and who are likewise members of a notorious society which boasts of its control over every scientific appointment of value in the country; oil and coal-dealers, artisans and contractors, for supplies and materials of various sorts, are everywhere on guard to repel by force, or degrade by abuse, every attempt, by whomsoever made, to reform the Coast Survey to the pattern after which it was devised and established by the law of 1807. Efforts to that end have been made by legislators like BENTON, MALLORY and CUSHING, when they were politically in the ascendant, and the result demonstrated that, in point of strength and efficiency, the Coast Survey was superior to the highest abilities, supported by great popularity, in positions of dignity and power.

I shall pursue the consideration of this subject in another letter. Yours, B. B.

The Conflict in the Yorkville School—One Side of the Case.

YORKVILLE, Monday, Nov. 15, 1858.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your valuable paper of this date, under the head of "Police Reports," I find several statements in relation to a most important state of affairs at present existing in Ward School No. 37, situated in Eighty-seventh-street, between Third and Fourth avenues, the truth of which we do not concede.

First—There is *no* "battle between two school mistresses." The "battle" originated in the Board of Trustees, where it still exists, and was commenced by a pair of political wire-pullers, who, to gratify their own evil propensities and small ambition, undertook *illegally* to remove an amiable young lady, and an excellent teacher; one who had served in School No. 37, and given the highest satisfaction to themselves and the public, for a period of *two or six years*—for the purpose of installing in her place a person more suited to their own peculiar ideas.

Second—No *legal* removal of Miss GILDERSLEEVE has taken place. The by-laws of the Board of School Officers require that a formal written notice shall be issued to each member thereof of every meeting of the Board. *This was not done* for the meeting at which it is alleged Miss G. was removed. *At least three* of those who were known to be favorable to the restoration of Miss GILDERSLEEVE received no notice of the meeting, and consequently a majority of those inimical to her interests, those of the public and the School, did as they pleased for the time.

Third—The removal of Miss GILDERSLEEVE is not recognized by the parents of the children attending the department of School No. 37 over which she has for such a length of time so satisfactorily presided, any more than it is by the public at large in the vicinity of the School; in proof of which I beg to annex a copy of resolutions passed at a large and intelligent meeting of the citizens of the Nineteenth and Twelfth Wards, shortly after the decree of dismissal had been issued by Messrs. VANCE, MCKEON & Co.

Fourth—The most perfect order has always existed in Miss GILDERSLEEVE'S Department of School No. 37, as can be proved by every visitor to it, as well as by the *written minutes of Messrs. Vance, McKeon & Co. themselves*. And it is just as well known that the same order and discipline at present exists there, except when the aforesaid gentlemen make a foray upon its peaceful limits, with a view of disposing of their own, words "dragging out"—a well-qualified, and highly-prized teacher, to make room for one *illegally appointed* by themselves in solemn conclave.

Fifth—Several parents of children (the writer amongst the number) have removed their children from school, not on account of a battle between two school-mistresses; but on account of the incompetent and disgraceful conduct of a portion of the Board of School Officers, who would ruthlessly sacrifice a highly-educated, refined, and in every respect competent teacher—a good and affectionate daughter—and one who by her industry materially aids in the support of her aged and ailing parents—to advance their own paltry political pretensions.

Annexed are the resolutions above referred to, and I beg to inclose you my name and address, as every word in this communication can be substantiated on oath, *and will be when required*.

No matter what the decision of courts at a distance may be, there is one to which the people of Yorkville will soon have a chance of appealing, with a certainty of success. After the December election they are *determined* to have school officers who will do their duty, irrespective of political intrigue. This is a fixed fact. Yours, A.

[The resolutions referred to are too long for publication. All their statements are embodied in the above communication.]

The Other Side of the Question.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Your reporter has not been accurately informed of the issue of the examination before Justice STRANG of the complaint against the former Principal of the Primary Department of Ward School No. 37. After some testimony was taken in support of the complaint, Miss GILDERSLEEVE'S Counsel—who expressed the opinion that she had been badly advised—proposed on her behalf, after consultation with herself and friends, that if the complaint were withdrawn, she would keep away from the school. The proposal was formally made and accepted in presence of the magistrate, and it was supposed that this arrangement would be observed; but, in violation of it, Miss GILDERSLEEVE reappeared at the school this morning, not attempting, however, to take charge, as on previous occasions.

As the tone and style of your report are calculated to create a false impression as regards the conduct of Miss INNES, I would add that she was appointed without solicitation on her part; that she manifested the utmost patience and prudence under most trying circumstances; and that the troubles were caused not by any acts of Miss INNES, but by the resistance made by her predecessor to the action and authority of the Board of Trustees. Respectfully yours,

JOHN VANCE.

The statue of Charles Albert, executed by order of the municipality of Turin, was inaugurated under the portico of the Town-house on the 31st ult. The synaitic, the members of the Council, a deputation from the National Guard and several distinguished personages were present at the ceremony.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Season—Condition of the Times—Reported Removals—New-Hampshire—Disputed Elections—Candidates for Legislative Offices—Municipal Politics—Religious Revival—Mr. Everett and Mr. Banner—New Volume of Bancroft's History, &c.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

BOSTON, Monday, Nov. 15, 1858.

Winter has come upon us more than a fortnight earlier than it did in 1857. Then we had no really severe weather until the last days of November, and that did not continue, and was the only cold spell we had. For a week past we have had bitter days, with strenuous attempts at snow-storms on the 11th and 12th. There were a few flakes of snow on each day, and on Saturday night there was a storm of rain, hail and snow, so that a thin white carpet showed itself on the Sabbath morn. Could the storm have lasted we should have had sleighing, but fate was against men and with horses. To-day the weather is milder, but a snow-storm has set in. A hard Winter is anticipated, though why I don't know. Hard it will be, in a certain sense, as there is not much work, and those who met the hard times at their commencement with some savings have devoured those savings, and have a dreary prospect before them. They are yet wandering in the wilderness, and the promised land of labor disappears before them like the mirage that is conjured up by the eyes of the body and the mind. I hope what I learn is mainly the product of fear, but I fear much of it will be found fact, as is often the case with prophecies. Men who prophesy evil are rarely false prophets.

We hear little of politics in these parts. Even the Illinois election is getting to be a bore. I have not heard an allusion to the President's Message. Gossip says that some Douglasites will be removed from office soon in this quarter, where offices are numerous and desirable; but I know of no Democrat in office of any note who has done anything that ought to offend even so sensitive a gentleman as the President has been made by recent events. True, when it was first known that Mr. DOUGLAS had triumphed, some office-holders, sharing in the general exalted feeling of the time, did talk with a degree of independence that they have since hastened to forget. But there was nothing in it but the heat of the moment, and it should not be remembered against them that they for an instant forgot their allegiance. The big fish were silent, as fish ever are.

The New-Hampshire Democrats have already nominated two of their candidates for Congress—Mr. MASON, and Mr. GROSER. The latter is a clever young fellow, who enjoys, and has for years enjoyed, the friendship and confidence of General PIERCE. He was, I think, removed from office by Mr. BUCHANAN, so that his nomination is held to be a "rebuke" to the President, while it may mean nothing more than the placing of a dashing politician before the people in the hope of getting votes that would not be had by a candidate of the slow-coach order. I suspect Mr. BUSER will not like the selection, and he possesses considerable power, from his energy and talent. Mr. MASON I do not know, but I am told that he is a respectable gentleman of the Hunker persuasion. There is to be a fight in the Granite State, and the Democrats hope to make something out of the alleged errors of the Republicans in local legislation; but the Slavery question will override everything, I presume, and the Republicans be able to hold their own in gross, though they may lose some in detail, which they are rich enough to look at and get ready for in advance. The election will be for State officers, members of the Legislature and Congressmen. The Legislature to be chosen will not have a sectional Senator to elect, as Mr. CLARK'S term will not expire until 1861. The election will take place Tuesday, March 8, so that nearly a four months' campaign is before the good people, and a Winter campaign to boot. It may be said of New-Hampshire that she is never at peace save when she is fighting,—and the fighting is bravely done. It is a sort of Russian campaign, with which snow has a great deal to do, and the vanquished party can claim that it has fallen before the elements, as did NAPOLEON,—and perhaps with the same amount of truth.

The Republicans will have a new candidate for Governor, as Gov. HALLE will retire at the close of his present term. There are several aspirants to the nomination, but as the Nominating Convention will not meet for weeks, it is not worth while to mention them. It is expected that there will be some changes made in the Congressional representatives, and the entire delegation may be recast—without any reference, I mean, to what the Democrats calculate upon doing; and they intend to make a sweeping change. The House of Representatives is now to be so closely divided in any case that is now likely to occur, that if the Democrats should gain a member in New-Hampshire, it would be a very important event in a national point of view. New-Hampshire gains, if any shall be made, will have to be carried to the Douglas column in the political books. His views are the prevalent ones there, and it is thought he could carry the electoral vote of the State in '60. There has never been a Republican majority of 6,000 in the State, and generally that majority has been of a considerably lower figure than that. It was only 2,405 in '57, which was somewhat increased in '58, under influence of the feeling created by Lecomptonism, now dying out.

The next session of our Legislature will be made interesting by the occurrence of some election battles. Mr. PARSONS, of Worcester, who was beaten by that everlasting "one voter" who contrives to be present at so many places on election day, in response to the appeals of eloquent orators and able editors, claims that he was chosen legally, and will ask for the seat in the House of Representatives for which he ran. He is a young Democrat, but an old Whig, and also a young man, and his case will test the impartiality of the House, which contains five Republicans to every anti-Republican member. Mr. PRINCE'S claim is founded on the alleged illegal rejection of the votes of two of his friends, there being, he confidently asserts, no evidence that their intent was fraudulent. The elected member is Mr. CLARKE.

The seat of Mr. BARKER, Democrat, of Milford, is contested. He was also elected by one majority, and the giver of that one vote is said to have had no legal right to give it. Milford is one of the five towns of Worcester County, and more than 100 new Irish voters were there made. There must be new elections in Milford, if Mr. BARKER should be unseated, as his seat is not claimed for the opposing candidate. Had the alleged illegal vote been rejected, there would have been a tie. There are some other cases, I am not aware that there are any disputed Senatorial elections.

The Hon. JACOB SLEEPER, Executive Councillor elect, had a large party at his residence, on Summer street, last Thursday evening, at which several hundred gentlemen met Governor BANKS. It consisted of Congressmen, editors, Governors and ex-Governors, authors, and other persons of more or less renown, and mostly, if not entirely, belonging to the triumphant party. Mr. SLEEPER is an opulent gentleman, who has done good service for the victors, and has very properly been elevated to a station which by talent and liberality, and acquaintance with public affairs, he is admirably qualified to fill.

There are to be some new faces in the Legislature—a new secretary, Sergeant-at-Arms, &c. The successful party is so numerous, and has so many really clever men in it, who are troubled with more time than money (and the things are not convertible, in spite of FRANKLIN,) that places are much sought for.

The preliminaries to the municipal election are going on. The Democrats have had a very comfortable family party on the subject, and discussed it in gentlemanly style. Their opinion is that they can carry everything, and so the impression is that they will have a pure and simple ticket before the voters, and perhaps elect some gentleman who will preserve the Union by inforcing the Fugitive Slave Law.

The Temperance men are hard at work, though success is scarcely within their reach. The friends of Mayor LINCOLN purpose running him again, his singular success in '57 having an encouraging look. Some Republicans are for a clean ticket of their faith, but others doubt the prudence of such a course, and think that it would fail to such an extent as would cause the country to make contrasts between what happened here in November and what will then have happened in December.

Besides the Boston elections, there will be municipal battles in several other cities next month, some of which promise to be very stiff affairs. General GARVER has been nominated for Mayor of Lawrence. There were more than 350 persons present at the nominating caucus, and he carried all before him. This is something new in Massachusetts, nominating caucuses ordinarily consisting of a wide-awake chairman and secretary, and three drowsy spectators. Mr. FESSE has been nominated in Cambridge.

Our city clerk, at the trial of a rum case, the other day, testified that but nine persons and firms were authorized to sell liquor in Boston, and they in quantities not less than 20 gallons. Twice 800, I presume, would not cover the list of unauthorized dealers in rum.

There is considerable religious interest manifested in this city. Both morning and evening meetings are well attended. The Winter is expected to be marked by a strong religious revival.

Governor BANKS, in a pertinent proclamation, has set apart the 25th for our annual Thanksgiving. Every New-England State but Vermont will have the same Thanksgiving, and she is always as odd as she is sober.

Another of our incendiaries has received a life sentence to the State Prison. Still the vile gangs carry on their work. A batch has just been arrested in Somerville.

Mr. VANDERBILT has been admitted to the Massachusetts bar. He ought to make a good lawyer.

The Tremont House estate was sold on Saturday for $195,800. It was purchased for "the little shaver," young SEARS, whose pops oppressed him with such a mountain of wealth. It is no great investment, and does not pay over 4 per cent. If my impression is correct.

Mr. EVERETT'S arrangement with Mr. BONNER is criticized severely by some people, who think that if he felt free to write for the benefit of the Mount Vernon project he should have given us a life of Washington, the sale of which could hardly have failed to "realize" $10,000. Mr. BONNER'S shrewdness is much admired, and we expect to see a broadside in the Times announcing that "EDWARD EVERETT writes only for the New-York *Ledger*."

The eighth volume of Mr. BANCROFT'S History is announced to appear "shortly" by the Rogers publishers. There are to be many books published here soon, the printing season is looking up.

There is considerable Survey about the Revenue Cutter business which may be cleared up before I should say, without consulting some people who have fished well, unless they can come down with the dust.

The heirs of EDWARD PERRY have not yet come to one of three distinguished men here, to whom the old gentleman left only small sums. One is a doctor, and the others are divines. THYMIR.

STEAM ON THE CANALS.

Detailed Account of the First Three Steamers through from Buffalo to New-York, each with Barge in Tow.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Since the experimental trips by the steamers *Charles Week* and *P. L. Sternberg* upon the Erie Canal last August, which was honored by a visit from Governor EMOT and several of the Canal Officers of the State, these two steamers, together with a third—the double-deck steamer *Ruggles*—have visited this City with full cargoes from Buffalo, and the steamer *Niagara*, a horse-boat with steam incorporated, has gone from this City and is now at Buffalo, whilst west of Syracuse there are several different designs of steam propulsion being tried, one of which on the boat *Belcast* has plied regularly between Rochester and Buffalo since the fifth of last month and is now on her sixth "round trip," or making her eleventh or twelfth intermediate passage.

The Chamber of Commerce of this City has recently taken important action in order to expedite this reform as essential to the higher prosperity of the commerce of this City, the West and Northwest; but as the Committee of the Chamber have only given a *general estimate based upon the results of these steamers*, and as it does not embody sufficient detail of facts to be as fully instructive to the many classes interested as it should be, and as their further report is postponed until next month, being in possession of more facts, they are herewith submitted.

The *Week*, *Sternberg* and *Ruggles* are new first-class boats, built by Messrs. VAN SICKLE & NORRIS, and their engines by Mr. BELL, at Buffalo, for the enlarged canal. The *Ruggles* is a double-decker, with engine room and cabin on main deck, her lower hold being exclusively devoted to freight, excepting a few feet for her propeller shafts at her stern.

The *Week* is the pioneer, though the keel of the *Sternberg* was first laid—as she made the first trip with cargo to Albany, and returning was one of the *cortege* of the Governor and suite west from Rochester in August last, of which your news of the day gave full accounts. She left Buffalo Sept. 25th, and reached this City early in October with a barge in tow, both bringing 277 tons of freight. Her running time upon the Canal was seven days to the 345 miles from Buffalo to West Troy, on which are 74 locks, and her average, covering lockages, was a trifle over two miles per hour, burning two tons of coal per twenty-four hours. The propelling cost on the Canal for coal just equals the usual cost for towing either boat by horse, or about ten cents per mile per boat, which is half the cost by horse. But she would average upward of three miles per hour on the river, and make her run with tow from West Troy to New-York at two-thirds the usual charge by the river towboats for either boat; giving a net saving of forty dollars to the river. The net saving *in running time to the wages of two crews* will about pay the engineers.

The *Week*, on her return trip from Troy to Buffalo, made the running time in 4 days and 16 hours, covering lockages, or about 3¼ miles per hour, with 60 tons of freight, which was in about *half the time per horse, and at about five-eighths cost.*

The *Ruggles* left Buffalo Oct. 20, and was 13¾ days to New-York, with a full loaded barge in tow, but being detained twice by the breaking of her rudder, her running time is stated to be 6 days and 14 hours through, burning 3 tons of coal per 24 hours. This time gives an average of nearly 3 miles per hour on Canal, covering lockages, and about 4¾ miles per hour on the Hudson; and *is but a little over the average time by horse-boats.* Her cost of propulsion to 5½ days on Canal, using 16 tons at $4 50 per ton, (Buffalo price,) is $72, or 20⅝c. per mile, or 10½c. per mile per boat. Her cost to both boats on the River would be about 4 tons or $18, making a net saving of about $40 to the two boats. Her saving of wages to two crews, by reduction of time, will more than pay engineers and ordinary engine repairs. *Ruggles* and her consort started with 11,800 bushels of Corn, or 303 tons, which with some deck freight and coal made 330, but they are reported to have left 300 bushels of corn at Palmyra, and 300 at Syracuse, or about 30 tons, (leaving 270 tons of corn,) to care themselves over the low waters on the Flats.

The *Sternberg* left Buffalo the 20th ult., and was 19 days to this City,—she towed an extra heavy (by about 10 tons) barge with 5,850 bushels of wheat, or 176 tons. Both boats were overloaded, bringing through 310 tons of wheat, each drawing over five feet of water, which caused them to be much of the time aground this side of Rochester. West of Rochester she varied between 19 miles and 21 per "trick," (the technical meaning of which is the six hours off and on of the crew,) or averaged 3½ miles per hour, burning two tons of coal per 24 hours. Deducting her detentions aground, she is stated to have averaged about three miles per hour, covering lockages, until she broke one of her propellers about 130 miles west from Troy. At Cohoes, she broke the second propeller, and was obliged to be towed down the river. From her rates as established with both propellers, she would have made about the same running time as the *Ruggles*, or about 6½ days from Buffalo to New-York, or 5¾ days through the Canal, with two tons per day, or 11 tons at $50, or 14½ cents per mile, which is 7¼ *cents per boat per mile.* She would use about three tons down the river at $14, which is less than half the $30 charge by tow-boats per boat, saving about $45. Across the Cayuga Flats for about four miles she worked through when drawing several inches depth of mud, so deep that neither twin-rudders could be turned at all by her helm, the steamer being steered by her throttle valves, as she has an engine to each propeller. The captain of a light horse-boat that followed with 200 bushels less of wheat than the barge had, said that he strained a good team more than all the season's service beside; and the barge tow-line, of about four times the strength of the horse lines, was broken several times.

The *Week* has an engine of 14-inch cylinder, by 14-inch stroke; the *Ruggles* has two each, of same size as the *Week's*; and the *Sternberg* has two each, 9-inch by 12-inch stroke, both of which equal 76.7 per cent. of the *Week's*, or 38½ per cent. of the *Ruggles'*. Strength of machinery, capacity of boilers and furnaces, are generally made by the same builder, in the ratio of the cylinders, though the boiler to the *Sternberg* is similar and nearly equal to the *Week's*, whilst the *Ruggles'* is of an improved plan, and much larger. The *Week* has the *close-screw* (or auger) bladed propeller, 8 feet in diameter, and has one on either side of her stern, in a recess of the hull. The *Sternberg* has two, each 4-bladed, modern propellers, of 8 feet diameter, situated like the *Week's*. The *Ruggles* has a single 4-bladed modern propeller, of 8½ feet diameter, situated as ordinarily in our steamships.

The rates, or towing and propelling capacities, of the *Ruggles* and *Sternberg* are reported as nearly equal, and there is no sufficient cause for *an equal useful duty from the unequal rates of coal*—which are as three tons by the former to two tons by the latter—excepting in the relations of the propellers, the R., with the larger engines and boilers, having but one, of 5½ feet diameter, while the S., with much smaller engines and boiler, has two, each of 4 feet diameter, thus giving the better fulcrum to the lesser engines, so that *a greater percentage of the power expended is utilized.* In regard to the *Week* and *Sternberg*, they show *unequal useful duties* from nearly *equal consumption and rates of power*, each burning about two tons per day. Again, there is no sufficient cause for an unequal useful duty (as two miles per hour to two-three miles) from the equal rates of coal, excepting in the relation of the propellers—the W., with the larger engine capacity, having two old-fashioned and superseded screws, each of 3 feet diameter, while the S., with the lesser engine capacity, has two common propellers, each of 4 feet diameter, thus giving the better fulcrum to the lesser engine, so that *a greater percentage of the power expended is utilized.*

The relation of equal duty between the West and *Ruggles* is unequal (as two miles per hour to two-three miles,) but it is under a proximate relation to the ratio of engines, boilers and coal. Although the cost of coal per mile per boat is nearly equal, the rates per mile are unequal. The difference in time is important, economically, to a single trip, as the wages of the two boats' crews and steamers' engineers will exceed $10 per day. But difference in time is still further important, as it increases the number of trips and gross carrying capacity.

The steamers to same draft cannot carry per trip so many tons of paying freight as the barges they have in tow, or as the horse-boat; but as the *Ruggles* and *Sternberg* can make the passage in 60 per cent. of the average time per horse, they will each take three loads (and three by barge) in the running time of two loads by horse, and at the relative costs before given; that is, if either of these steamers with her barge shall take 330 tons through in 7 days, and two horse-boats shall take 360 tons through in 11½ days, then *the running time* to three trips per steam is 21 days carrying 990 tons; and to two trips per horse, it is 21 days carrying 720 tons, giving an excess of 270 tons to steam; the steamer will have had one additional port detention. These quantities per steam are based upon the carrying and towing capacities to a six-feet depth of canal, the water to these trips having been considerably less. Upon the seven-foot canal the steamers will carry, to new boats of sufficient strength, 200 tons, and their barges 250 tons.

The considerations given by the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, in regard to speed and its advantages, merit the attention of commercial men.

The subject of Steam on the Canal is not alone to be discussed politically and financially for the interests of this State, but it is even now the talk in all the counting rooms of the west and northwest, and by all the craftsmen, and upon all the crafts of the Erie, its branches, and of the northwestern lakes; and as these discussions are initiatory of a reformation in the canal interests of this State, [illegible] the railway interests [illegible] the facts developed by these [illegible] are vested with more than [illegible]

It is a proper tribute to C[illegible] of the *Charles Week*, to [illegible] that he is a pioneer of these steamers [illegible] the keel of the *Sternberg* was laid first [illegible] Capt. S., while boiling sap on his farm, whittled [illegible] from which his own w[illegible] d. The *Charles Week* made her first and [illegible] with [illegible] to Albany, and on her return [illegible] of the Governor west from Rochester, in August, of which your news of the day gave full accounts. H. S.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Nov. 15, 1858.

The Free Library for Women—Reply to the Letter of the Rev. Mr. Ferrier.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Nov. 15, 1858.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

SIR: The writer's attention was called, late last evening, to the letter of Mr. EDWARD S. FERRIER, which appeared in your issue of Saturday. It would be an unworthy end, in this instance, truly an arduous task to take up the pen merely for the sake of unwise discussion and refutation of arguments advanced against institutions having such a wide influence for educational and moral power as Public Libraries. No man, having a true estimate of that which leads to human purity and progress, would utter one word to hinder their increase. No argument which any human being could advance in opposition to educational influences would have any real weight; and although the editor of the *Christian Intelligencer* has advanced the plea that there are women who want bread, it does not at all weaken the force and power of the assertion, that there are *one hundred and fifty thousand* women who want books, and that the chief cause of the want of remunerative employment among women is their defective education. It is not for the purpose of argument, but chiefly with a view of placing before the public—that public to whose sympathies we have appealed—a truthful statement regarding the condition and needs of those for whom the contemplated Library is intended.

According to the rules of absolute justice, few women are paid for their labor; but there are at least fifty thousand women in this City who earn what the employers would call fair wages—wages ranging from $3 to $12 a week. These girls have all of them the time and the inclination to read, and many of them have the wish to instruct themselves in such branches as will enable them to fill places of more profit.

Another thing, which everybody who is at all interested in this subject must have perceived, is—that that department of female labor where the needle has been in such wide demand, is every week becoming more and more narrowed; and although export needle-women will always be required as *finishers*, the sewing machine will monopolize to a great extent that fruitful field for suffering to which the poorer class of workers have been so long confined. Before this entire revolution in the sewing department takes place, the girl must be prepared for other employments, and other employments will be ceded to her. But to occupy higher and better positions, she must first be *fitted to fill them*, and a library and educational institute, offering facilities for the highest mental culture and opportunities of instruction for business requirements, would be a great stepping-stone to woman's advancement. The books alone would not be the means of saving the workwomen merely, for we do not intend to confine the advantages of the Women's Library to them; but the number of female teachers in schools, public and private; the adult pupils—the refined but poor women who cannot afford select private libraries, and all such, from the baneful influences of the blue-fire literature to which we have before alluded, which is got up and sold in such large quantities for their especial benefit, and which thousands feed upon because they have not access to healthy matter of a purer and better kind.

The editor of the *Christian Intelligencer* says that the writer's former letter proves that she does not trust to the Women's Library to "work a miracle" in behalf of poor women. It was not undertaken in the belief that it would work "miracles;" but those who have suffered from the pangs of a mind starving for want of food—who have endured days, weeks and months of idleness, and felt the precious hours passing away in useless oblivion that might be rendered precious for the future—those who have looked around upon the barren pathway of a young girl's labor-life and wondered why there was not some flowers planted by the way—some word or signs of encouragement—some token that others felt that such as she existed—those will understand its purposes and appreciate its benefits.

Judging from the tone of Mr. FERRIER'S communication, he admits that he would be happy to see the Library erected, were the poor first made comfortable and provided with work. Who could shut their eyes to the needs of the poor? Who could refuse to encourage any feasible plan which could bring about such a blessed result as to provide them with "*work or remunerative* employment?" But how is it to be done? Where is the employment to be sought, and who is to give it to the mass, at remunerative wages? This is a problem too deep for me to solve. I admire Mr. FERRIER'S wide-spread and noble sympathies; but I fear that so long as labor is the slave of capital—so long as human selfishness exists, so long will we have the suffering poor. No combination, no societies of men or women, however earnest, thorough and enduring as their philanthropy may be, will ever avert this evil. A gentle Teacher once said: "The poor ye have always with ye." Eighteen hundred years have passed since those words were uttered, yet we feel the truth of the prophecy.

The benefit of "corporate societies for the distribution and sale of work, all the profits of which might be divided among the operatives," has been tested to its fullest extent in this City. I know not what the English societies have been able to accomplish, their laws their customs, manner of living—everything in their rules of labor is different from ours; but I will say, and with perfect truth, that all such schemes attempted here have resulted in disastrous failures. I, in my poor judgment, always viewed such enterprises as so much time and money thrown away. For where are the societies—where is the class of workers at the needle, who, with any hope of success, would rise up in opposition to the merchant manufacturers of New-York? In the first place, these societies would be obliged to win the trade, and in order to do this they would be compelled to sell much cheaper than the manufacturers, who, acquainted with the tricks and turns of trade, could not and would not be triumphed over, and would undersell, and undersell the societies over and over again, no matter what capital, either in money or energy, they might bring to their work. "The Shirt-Sewers' Union," which was started here some little time ago, is a case in point. The public, of course, would go where it could buy the cheapest, and the poor shirt-sewers, unable to compete with the large cheap shirt factories, were obliged to give up the battle, and the noble-minded women, whose efforts had formed those societies, had simply the loss of time and money for their trouble. Such plans are utterly impracticable.

I have said, and I repeat it, that no thorough needlewoman—no girl who has some cultivation, and some knowledge of business—need want for employment at fair wages in this City. To be sure, they must work well for one-third of the sum that their labor is really worth, but that is their doom, at least for some time to come. The workers on five-cent shirts and fifteen-penny pantaloons, are poor girls generally, who are orphaned and timid, and suffering wives with worthless husbands. Poor widows too, with children, who, unable to leave their little ones, take these murderous garments home to sew, to try and keep a roof over their heads and educate them. Who can prevent this? Whoever he may be who will attempt this herculean task, must first put an end to all the causes which lead to dire poverty, or he must infuse a generous spirit into the hearts of all men and women who need the services of the poor. What we aim at is to begin a new order of action, instead of trying to patch up sewing societies for these girls to depend on, and which the sewing-machine, if nothing else, would soon throw out of existence. We will try to teach her to depend upon herself, and during the years which may p

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDAR—WEDNESDAY.

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SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Before Judge Mitchell.

MOTIONS ON NOTICE.

Valentine Lutz et al. vs. Frederick Meyers.—This is an action to recover damages for injuries received by the wife of the plaintiff, Valentine Lutz, while a passenger on board the packet ship Westmoreland, of which the defendant was captain. M. A. Shepley for plaintiffs. J. and I. Larocque for defendant. It appeared in evidence that in September, 1854, Lutz took passage on the defendant's ship from Havre to New-York. There were 750 passengers on board, Irish and German emigrants. Mrs. Lutz was on her way from Germany to join her husband in this country. The plaintiff Lutz is a hotel keeper in Atlantic-street, Brooklyn. On the morning of the 11th or 12th of September, Mrs. L. came on deck about 5 o'clock. There had been a storm in the night, and the waves were still rolling. While passing a kitchen erected [illegible] plank, which [illegible] her berth, where she was confined during the remainder of the voyage, and through the Fall and Winter following, required medical attendance. It is moreover alleged that her arm has never fully recovered, and that the injuries she sustained are of a permanent character. Evidence was given to show that the accident was left by the carelessness of the defendant in a dangerous position—in short, that the accident was chargeable to culpable negligence on the part of the ship's officers. On the other hand, the defendant undertook to show that the accident happened from Mrs. Lutz's own carelessness, and that the ship was well manned, disciplined, and officered. The cause was adjourned to this morning, when Mr. Shepley replied to the evidence for the defendant. The Court charged the jury, and they rendered a verdict for the plaintiff, with $750 damages.

Duncan, Sherman & Co. vs. Bates et al.—The plaintiffs, firm of L. O. Wilson & Co., having on deposit with the defendants a sum of money exceeding $70,000, made their order, by a written instrument, to Bates and Wilson, in [illegible] the assignment, and authorized them to transfer the money to Paige & Co., assignees. This notice was received on the 1st July. On the 1st of July the plaintiffs received a letter from the other assignees, Bates and Wilson, stating that they had commenced an action against L. O. Wilson & Co., in which they claimed an equitable lien on the effects of that firm, under a special agreement made in October preceding, that L. O. Wilson & Co. had been enjoined from making any assignment or disposition of the property owned by them in [illegible] Paige & Co. had made an assignment of all their property to Messrs. Bates & Wilson, and that Paige & Co. thereby notified the plaintiffs of their lien, and of their claim upon the funds. In the mean time, the Sheriff, under attachment issued against L. O. Wilson & Co. in favor of Paige & Co., had levied on all the debts and credits of Wilson & Co., in the hands of the plaintiffs, which notice of the plaintiffs also set out the claim of Paige & Co. against Wilson & Co., and alleged a misrepresentation made to them by which they were induced, in October, 1857, to grant an extension to Wilson & Co., and that, in consequence thereof, they had commenced an action against Wilson & Co. to recover an appropriation of their property, as owned by them on the 15th of October, in the payment of their debts at that time, and that an injunction had been granted therefor. They also show a payment under the assignment by them to Bates & Wilson of the portion of the effects described with the consent of Paige & Co., and ask to be allowed to pay the balance into Court, and that the Sheriff be interpleaded, and settle their respective claims. The defendants, Wilson & Co., in their affidavit, show that the money in question belongs to them, and not to Paige & Co., and that the order of July 1st was made by them in favor of Bates & Wilson, in consideration of the release of the claim of Paige & Co. against them, which was made in consequence of the fraud and misrepresentation of Paige & Co. in the matter of the extension. The plaintiffs have not, therefore, made out a case which authorizes them to ask that the defendants may interpleed, because their acceptance of the order on them, and the transfer of the money to the credit of Bates & Wilson, was equivalent to a payment to them, before any notice of Paige & Co.'s claim had reached them, and because they show a state of facts existing, in regard to Paige & Co.'s claims, which does not make out any legal claim against them for the money so placed by them *to the credit of Bates & Wilson, or of any money in* their hands prior to the service of the attachment in August last by the Sheriff. When the plaintiff in his complaint sets out the facts, so that it appears that one party is entitled to the debt and that the other has no right to recover against the plaintiff, or that his claim may be successfully resisted at law, the complaint might be demurred to. Shaw vs. Cooper, 8 Paige, 348. As the plaintiffs have deposited the moneys for the purpose of making this motion, they may have an order allowing them to withdraw the same if they so desire it. The motion for an injunction is denied, and the temporary injunction denied, with $10 costs.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM.

NOTICE.

Notes of issue for the December term (DAVIES, J.,) must be filed at the Clerk's Office on or before the 27th of November next.

It must be distinctly stated on the note of issue, whether it be *demurrer* or *not demurrer*. None will be received unless in compliance with this order.

IN CHAMBERS.

Before Judge Garlock.

MOTION.

Wm. A. Kobbe vs. Abraham Altman et al.—The plaintiff has neglected to give his version of the Judge's finding of facts in place of defendant's version. The pleadings must also be furnished.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Before Judge Pierrepont.

John A. Bowden vs. Charles A. Appleby.—In this cause, tried on Tuesday, the jury came in yesterday forenoon unable to agree upon a verdict.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before City Judge Russell.

The Metropolitan Policeman, Cairnes, who last week shot his prisoner, Hollis, the 'longshoreman, in Fulton Market, when the latter was trying to escape from him, and who was held for trial for manslaughter by the Coroner's Jury, was yesterday, on application of his counsel, admitted to bail in the sum of $10,000. He had not procured bail at a late hour.

Alice Ryan—a stalwart courtesan—pleaded guilty to a charge of grand larceny, and was sentenced to two years in the State Prison.

Mary Johnson pleaded guilty to petit larceny, and went to the Penitentiary for six months.

Mary Gatens, on the same plea, was sentenced to the same prison for three months.

Frederic Smith, indicted for grand larceny, pleaded guilty to an attempt at that crime, and was sentenced to three years and five months in the State Prison.

Nancy Hood, a colored woman, was placed at the bar charged with arson in the first degree, in setting fire to the building No. 67 Sullivan-street, on Aug. 10, in which, at the time, several families were residing. Her motive appeared to be revenge towards the man she was living with, and who had treated her badly. The trial was not concluded, and will be continued to-day.

THIRD DISTRICT COURT.—Nov. 5.

Before Justice Van Cott.

CONTRACT WITH GAS COMPANY—DEPOSIT.

William H. Averill vs. The Manhattan Gas Light Company.—This was an action for damages. The plaintiff, who is proprietor of an oyster saloon on Eighth-avenue, alleged "that on or about the 19th day of October, 1858, the defendants wrongfully entered into and upon the premises of the plaintiff, and with force and arms took and carried away from the possession of said plaintiff a gas meter, and wrongfully shut off and stopped the supply of gas to the damage of the plaintiff of two hundred and fifty dollars."

The plaintiff was examined as a witness on his own behalf, and it appearing from his own statement that, by his contract with the Company, he had agreed to deposit eight dollars as security, and had neglected to do so, and that for this reason the Company had cut off his supply of gas, the Justice was about to dismiss his complaint, when the plaintiff requested permission to discontinue his suit. Granted on payment of $10 costs.

For plaintiff, J. L. Taylor; *for defendants*, Morell, Willard and Howe.

COURT OF APPEALS.

NOTES OF DECISIONS RENDERED AT THE LAST TERM—ASSIGNMENT.

Dunham & Dimon vs. Waterman, Heckers & Rossell.—A judgment confessed under sections 282 and 283 of the Code, for a just debt, is to be deemed fraudulent and void, as to other judgment creditors of the debtor, when the statement upon which it is entered contains no further specification of the facts out of which the indebtedness arose than that it was upon a promissory note, (the date, amount, and time of payment of which are described,) "given on a settlement of accounts," on a specified day, between the debtor and the plaintiff in such judgment.

A provision in the assignment by an insolvent debtor of all his property, consisting in part of unfinished machinery and materials in process of manufacture, the completion of which was necessary to an advantageous sale, authorizing the assignees to complete the manufacture, and work up the materials at the expense of the assigned fund, as in their judgment might be applied, but it seems that repeat this for can prescribe no conditions whatever in respect to the management or disposition of the assigned property. *It seems* that an insolvent's assignment may be void for expressly vesting in the assignee a discretionary power which might be legally exercised by him, in the absence of such a provision, under his general responsibility as a Trustee and subject to the control of the Courts. Per Selden, J.

Platt vs. Lett et al.—An assignment, in trust for the benefit of creditors of all a debtor's property, which was therein stated to be "more fully and particularly enumerated and described in a schedule annexed," passes property not mentioned in the schedule.

The case of *Wilkes vs. Ferris* (5 John., 335,) examined and distinguished.

Nichols vs. McEwen.—A provision in the assignment of an insolvent debtor, that the assignee, a lawyer, shall be allowed a reasonable counsel fee, over and above expenses and commissions for executing the trust, is illegal, and renders the assignment void.

Waldron Willard and others.—Goods in the charge of a common carrier, having been damaged, were sold by him. The consignor assigned "all his interest in the goods" to the plaintiff. *Held*, a valid assignment of the right of action against the common carrier for non-delivery under his contract.

MARKET REPORTS

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1858—6 P. M.

The reported receipts of the leading kinds of Produce, and exports of Saturday, have been as follows:

	Hudson River.	Erie.	Southern.	Total.
Ashes, bbls	18	86	—	104
Flour, bbls	5,038	1,409	5,420	12,767
Wheat, bushels	10,508	—	414	10,708
Corn, bushels	5,500	—	—	5,500
Barley, bushels	2,800	—	—	2,800
Oats, bushels	27,600	1,040	—	28,640
Malt, bushels	2,400	—	—	2,400
Provisions, pkgs	408	924	120	1,452
Whisky, bbls	—	300	—	300

ASHES—Are in moderate request at drooping rates. Pots, 4⅝ @ 5; Pearls, 6⅝ @ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—The demand has been rather limited to-day. Sales 170 bags Jamaica at 15¼c.; 100 bags Maracaibo at 11¼c.; 350 bags Rio at 10¾c. @ 11¼c.; 186 bags St. Domingo at 9¾c. @ 10c.; also, quantities of bags Java at 12¼c. @ 13½c.; and 60 bags Rahia at 9½c. ⅌ lb. The receipts of Rio during the week [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Stock of all kinds here, this morning, according to the official returns, amounts to 2,475,000 bushels, against 2,475,000 bushels last year and 2,000,000 bushels in 1857. The principal transactions, during the week, have been in Java, which has been purchased in small lots, mostly for the trade, at 12½c. @ 13½c. ⅌ lb.

COTTON—Has been in better request at somewhat firmer prices, and heavy business is reported, of 2,500 bales, including Middling Upland at 11¼c. on Gulf at 11¼c. @ 11½c., and other grades at proportionate rates.

DRY GOODS—A small catalogue of Carpetings was sold by auction, to-day, at very satisfactory prices.

FLOUR AND MEAL—The market exhibits considerable activity for the leading kinds of State and Western Flour, prices of which are very firm, sellers having any existing advantage. Sales 14,500 bbls. Common to Superfine State, ⅌ bbl. [illegible] Superfine Western [illegible] Extra Indiana and Michigan [illegible] Extra Ohio [illegible] Fancy Genesee [illegible] Low to very choice Extra Missouri [illegible] Canadian continues in demand at strengthening rates; sales 800 bbls., at $5 20 @ $6 25 for low to choice extra, ⅌ bbl. Southern is in fair request, at firm prices; sales 1,700 bbls. at $5 [illegible] @ $6 45 for mixed and straight brands, and $5 [illegible] @ $6 [illegible] for low fancy to very choice extra brands, ⅌ bbl. Rye Flour is inquired for, at $3 [illegible] @ $3 25 for fine to superfine, ⅌ bbl. Corn Meal is in demand, at $3 90 @ $4 00 for Jersey, and $4 20 for Brandywine, ⅌ bbl.

GRAIN—Wheat is in better request at rising prices; sales 38,000 bushels, including good ordinary White Canada at $1 27; very choice White Michigan (a small lot) at $1 30; fair White Ohio at $1 28; good red do., in store, at $1 20; do. red (Winter) Western (reported) at $1 22; in store; choice Milwaukee club (a small lot) at $1 10; unsound Chicago Spring at 75c.; prime to choice white Southern at $1 45 @ $1 48, and inferior to very good red Southern at $1 15 @ $1 25 ⅌ bush. Corn continues quiet,—parties disagreeing about prices; sales 11,300 bushels, at 74c. @ 76c. for mixed Western; and 82c. for yellow Jersey, ⅌ bushel. Rye is inactive, at from 70c. @ 72c. ⅌ bush; sales of 2,000 bush. State. Barley, and a cargo of Canada Bear, are were reported at private bargain. Oats are moderately inquired for, at former rates. We quote Western at 36c. @ 38c.; Canada, at 34½c. @ 35c.; State at 37c. @ 40c.; Jersey and Pennsylvania at 43c. @ 47c.; and Southern at 41c. @ 45c., ⅌ bushel.

HAY—Sales 1,400 bales North River at 45c. @ 55c., cash, ⅌ 100 lbs.

HIDES—The principal sales reported, to-day, were 3,000 prime Buenos Ayres, &c., to arrive, at 26c.; 5,000 Orinoco at 22½c., and 2,700 Buenos Ayres Horse on terms not disclosed.

IRON—Sales 150 tons Scotch Pig, in lots, at $24 50 @ $26, ⅌ ton, usual credit.

LIME—Rockland, 70c. for Common, and 85c. @ 87½c. for Lump, ⅌ bbl.

MOLASSES—Sales have been made, to-day, of 160 hhds. Cuba Muscovado at 22c. @ 24c.; also, by auction, 65 hhds. do. at 25c.; 71 bbls. inferior Texas at 16½c. @ 17½c. ⅌ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Continue quiet at previous quotations. The business of the week Messrs. KNIGHT & SON notice thus: "Spirits Turpentine has declined since our last, and the market is dull at 51c. for lots in merchantable order, and 50c. for shipping. Common Resin also has considerably declined, and lots about can be had at $1 50. The medium and firm grades are active at advanced prices. Of Rosin, Nos. 2, $1 42½; No. 1, $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible]; No. 2 Pale, $1 75 @ $2 50, ⅌ bbl. Tar, $2 25 @ $2 75. Pitch, $1 87½ @ $2 ⅌ bbl.

OILS—The demand is limited; prices have not varied much. Crude Whale, 53c. @ 54c.; Crude Sperm, $1 22 @ $1 24; Bleached Winter Whale, 64c. @ 66c.; unbleached Winter Sperm, $1 30; Linseed, 59c. @ 60c.; Lard, 87½c. @ 90c. ⅌ gallon; Palm, 9¾c.; Tallow, 9¼c. ⅌ lb.

PROVISIONS—Pork is in demand at uniform rates; sales 1,000 bbls., in lots, chiefly a $17 37½ @ $17 50 for Mess; $18 50 for new City Mess; $19 for Clear; $21 for Sheer Clear; $11 for half bbls. do. do.; and $13 75 @ $14 for prime. Pickled meats have been lightly dealt in at 8c. @ 9½c. for Hams, and 8c. @ 8½c. for Shoulders, ⅌ lb.; 5,000 City cut green Hams have been sold, delivered in this month and the ensuing two months, at about 9c. ⅌ lb. Lard is in demand at former rates; sales 300 bbls., in lots, at 10½c. @ 10¾c. ⅌ lb. Beef is in good request at previous figures; sales 600 bbls., in lots, at $9 50 @ $11 for repacked Western Mess; $11 25 @ $12 for extra do.; $8 @ $9 50 for Country Mess; $4 25 @ $7 for do. Prime, ⅌ bbl.; Prime Mess Beef, $18 @ $20 ⅌ bbl. Beef Hams, $13 25 @ $16 ⅌ bbl. Butter is in request at 12c. @ 18c. for Ohio; 15c. @ 21c. for common to good State, and 22c. @ 25c. for prime to choice State, ⅌ lb. Cheese is worth 7¾c. @ 9c. ⅌ lb.

RICE—Sales, to-day, 200 tcs. at $3 @ $3 50 ⅌ 100 lbs.

SUGARS—The demand is fair at steady rates to-day; sales 630 hhds., including Cuba at 6c. @ 7¼c., and Porto Rico at 6¾c. @ 7½c.; also 71 boxes Havana at 8¾c. ⅌ lb. Messrs. HALLGRTN, DOW & YOUNGS estimate the stock on hand, this morning, at 18,500 hhds., 11,000 bags, 26,500 boxes and 700 hhds. Melado.

TOBACCO—The demand has been less animated; prices have not varied. Sales, since Friday last, 32 hhds. Kentucky at 8c. @ 12c.; 115 cases Seed Leaf at 7c. @ 16c.; 120 cases Florida at 16c. @ 26c.; 195 bales Havana at 30c. @ 45c., and 206 bales Yara on private terms.

New-Orleans Tobacco Statement, Nov. 10, 1858.

Stock on hand Sept. 1, 1858, hhds	26,417
Arrived since, hhds	2,132
Total	28,549
Exported since, hhds	8,369
Stock on hand and on ship-board, Nov. 10, hhds	22,181

WHISKY—Sales 300 bbls., in lots, at 22½c., cash, ⅌ gallon.

FREIGHTS—For Liverpool, there were taken 400 bales Cotton, at ⅝d. ⅌ lb.; Mahogany, at 22s. 6d. ⅌ ton. For London, 30 cases Tobacco, at 22s. 6d.; and 50 boxes do., at 2s. 6d. For Havre, 5,000 lbs. Bone, at ⅛c. For Bremen, 150 packages Tobacco, by steamer, at ⅞c. ⅌ lb. For Antwerp, Cotton at ⅞c. and Hemp at ⅛c., ⅌ lb. For Rotterdam, Staves, at $30. For Marseilles, a bark, also with Staves, on terms not disclosed.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Royal Mail steamship *Niagara*, from Liverpool to the 6th inst., with three days' later news from Europe, is now due at Halifax. Nothing had been heard of her at 9 o'clock last night.

Mexican advices from General ROBLES, received in Washington, of a date prior to that of the news received by telegraph from New-Orleans, published in yesterday morning's TIMES, is confirmatory of the latter. He says that the disturbances are at their height, and that an early change for the better cannot be anticipated. He thinks that ZUZOAGA will retire, and leave the country in the hands of the Liberals. A first portion of the dispatch published yesterday, which stated the country generally was in the hands of the Liberals, should prove true, it is possible that the anticipations of the General may be realized. Meanwhile, our American Minister in Mexico, arrived at Mobile on Monday in the practice-ship OLIVER HAZARD PERRY, will probably soon enlighten the country with his views of the condition of affairs there.

A Convention of delegates from eighty-eight Savings-Banks assembled in Boston yesterday, to take into consideration the subject of the redemption of their bills in that city, and to discuss the propriety of some action taken by the Suffolk Bank in this relation. Quite a unanimous feeling was exhibited in favor of the establishment of a bank of Mutual Redemption as a substitute for the Suffolk, as authorized by the Legislature, and resolutions were adopted to that effect.

JOHN MCMANUS, recently convicted of the murder of Ann McMANUS, his sister-in-law, at New-Utrecht, L. I., was sentenced yesterday morning, at 9 o'clock, by Judge HAYNES, to be hung in the Court-yard of the Kings County Prison, on Wednesday, the 12th of January next. The prisoner now, as throughout the whole trial, manifests the utmost brutality and indifference.

At the meeting of the Board of County Canvassers, Mr. KEMPNER, who was deputed by the Committee to investigate the alleged election frauds in the 11th District of the First Ward, rendered his report, which was by no means calculated to remove the cloud of fraud which has attached to the canvass in this District. Several corrections of the returns from other Wards were made, and the Board adjourned with the understanding that the consideration of the report of Mr. KEMPNER should be the special order at the meeting to-day.

GEORGE H. PURDIER was last evening nominated for Comptroller and ISAAC TEUSMAN for Governor of the Almshouse, by the Tammany Hall City Convention. Both nominations were made on the first ballot, and met with but slight opposition.

The Society for the relief of the Widows and Children of medical men, had a quiet dinner at the Astor House last night, when the Rev. Dr. OSGOOD, Rufus C. GOODRICH, Ex-Secretary GUERNSEY, Dr. JAMES R. WOOD and others, responded to the toasts of the occasion. The funds of the Society are in very prosperous condition, and the outlays very small.

The Hon. JOSIAH QUINCY, Jr., of Boston, opened the annual Course of Lectures, last evening, before the Brooklyn Mercantile Library Association. His subject was "Lafayette." The hall was filled, and the most earnest attention was paid to the distinguished lecturer throughout.

An application was made yesterday, to the Police authorities of this City, for aid to ferret out parties engaged in putting in extensive circulation, parcels of bills upon the Maverick Bank of Boston, Mass. It appears that some time ago, $50,000 of municipal bills of the Bank were consigned by the President to the furnace of an iron foundry. It is believed that a workman in the foundry rescued the bills from the flame and put them in circulation. This case is a remarkable one, and unprecedented in the history of banking institutions.

We publish, in another part of this morning's paper, some very interesting statistics of crime in this City during the past year. They are taken from the annual Metropolitan Police Report, which has just been prepared by Deputy-Superintendent CARPENTER. It is worthy of remark, that the proportion of arrests attempted during the year, as compared with foreigners, is one to five. The report shows what great activity has been displayed in the Department.

An application was commenced yesterday before United States Commissioner BETHUNE in the case of the Brooklyn counterfeiters, whose arrests were mentioned in the TIMES a few days ago. ENOS COOK, one of the prisoners, proved that he was sitting at the house when the police came under the channel on the place, and he was immediately discharged. No clue has yet been obtained to the antecedents of the accused parties, who are committed prisoners are still confined in Raymond-street Jail, and the investigation will be resumed to-day.

A young man named HART was killed last night in Columbia-street, Brooklyn, near Kelsey's-alley, while engaged in a wrangle or fight with another person named WARREN. A man who goes by the name of Jim CURRY, coming along at the time, took Warren's part, and, as is alleged, knocked Hart down and kicked him two or three times in the face and side, which killed him immediately, and CURRY escaped. A detachment of Police was sent in search of the murderer, who, it is believed, cannot escape, and an inquest will be held on the body this forenoon by the Coroner.

The examination upon the charge of perjury preferred against CORNELIUS MULHERRIN, which was to have been resumed yesterday before Justice WILSON, was not held still to-day, owing to the absence of the complainant.

The Supervisors and Councilmen met yesterday, but no business of importance was transacted in either Board. Reports will be found elsewhere.

Fifteen hundred tons of iron, a large part of the material of the Crystal Palace, were sold at auction yesterday.

The sales of Cotton yesterday amounted to 2,500 bales, at former prices. Flour and Wheat were pretty active, at strengthening rates. A fair business was transacted in Groceries, Provisions and Tobacco. Freights were somewhat better.

China and the New Treaties.

That England is dissatisfied with the net result of its negotiations on the Peiho is no matter of surprise. Whatever Lord ELGIN gained there he gained for mankind, while the losses and costs, which thrice the nominal indemnity exacted would indifferently repay, have to be drawn from the private treasury of England alone. This is reflected of itself to create a deep-rooted disgust with the business; but with that appendix, a Russian negotiation, without cost or loss, and without a forfeiture of the good-will and confidence of the Chinese, so propitious to future inexpensive acquisitions, and securing the reward of a province wide and westward as an empire, there is base for inexpressible mortification on the part of England. Indeed, before the fleet of the Allies had reached the Peiho, the Russians had appropriated the best results of the campaign in the convention celebrated in May by General MOURAVIEFF at Aigoon, a convention inaugurating happily the application of the Russian policy in Asia to the case of China. The assured effect of that scheme of territorial aggrandisement, as contrasted with the policy of the British Government, it may be of interest to examine.

Those most intimately familiar with the Chinese, instruct us that upon two conditions—the preservation of its territorial dependencies, and the maintenance of the existing state of society with its low stage of civilization—the perpetuity of the ruling dynasty depends. Both these guarantees have been overthrown by the Russian and British treaties. The Russians at one stroke secured a region abounding in varied resources infinitely valuable to commerce. Along that bending and long-drawn current, the Amoor River, fed with a hundred tributaries, and capacious enough to admit of steam navigation two thousand miles from its mouth, they have fixed the dividing line of the two empires, only varying from that natural definition by a line running to the side waters of the Pacific at a point which gives to Russia the best harbors on the Sea of Japan. The realm thus acquired can hardly be estimated under three hundred thousand square miles; a realm rich in the products of the forest and in mineral wealth, and forming nearly one-half of the native land of the race now predominant in China. In securing it, Russia has pushed her frontier within easy distance overland of the Chinese capital; and by reference to a letter elsewhere in this paper it will be seen that she has already improved her opportunities by expediting an embassy to Pekin.

It is also to be remarked, that while thus by treaty dismembering the Chinese empire at the north, Russia is no less busy in paring away large slices from it at the northwest and west. We hear much of a traditional policy of Russia in Europe. In Asia, with a policy no older than fifteen years, the agents of the CZAR have thrust themselves down to the foot of the Himalayas, and actually overlook the ensanguined fields where England is fighting for her old domination in India. Khiva and Kokand have already been carved and seized from that nondescript region laid down in the school atlases as "Independent Tartary," while, under the auspices of the Shah of Persia, a Russian expedition is actually surveying the province of Khorassan, preliminary, we cannot doubt, to the virtual sovereignty over the tribes of that extensive country. These are general movements contesting the Asiatic problem with England. They carry, however, the Russian power to the western line of the Chinese empire, while on the boundary adjoining Siberia, the direct encroachments upon the soil of the middle kingdom are still less disguised. Of so much of the tract, large as Europe, familiar to the school-boy as Chinese Tartary, the largest and most desirable part lies adjoining the Russian frontier. The reader of Arabian tales well knows the clime of Kashgar and Yarkand, the home of CAMBUSCAZENOLD, and the birthplace and scene of empire of GENGHIS KHAN. Between that realm of romance and the eighteen provinces of China there extends the vast sandy desert of Gobi, reaching from the Himalayas to the water shed of the Amoor, and forming in the Russian system of geography the natural boundary of China on the west. To obtain the exuberant and historical valleys of Ili is a prime object of Russian intrigue. Step by step the Muscovite has entrenched upon the Chinese dominion in that quarter, disheartened and driven away the Mandarins delegated from Pekin to govern those outer provinces, until at this moment the authority of the CZAR is paramount from the Gulf of Tartary to the foot of Diwaljiri. The territory so obtained is as grand, in extent, in productiveness, in commercial activity, as British India. It wants but a maritime outlet to be as valuable.

It is thus palpable, that at the very moment the Manchoo dynasty at Pekin surrenders to the Russians nearly half of its aboriginal seat and inheritance, it submits to lose a most important part of its conquests, and tributary empire. Proceeding upon a commercial policy such as the British people alone, in these days, act upon consistently, Lord ELGIN could not fail to perceive the advantages gained in the Russian Treaty of May. It was not enough to recognize that Russia was effecting, by intrigue and treaty, the prostration of a monarchy older than history; it was essential to share in the commercial advantages which that policy would confer. Hence, it was no sooner ascertained that the CZAR had obtained the Northern half of the Basin of the Amoor, thus drawing the traffic of the region either to Nicolaiesok or to Castries, than Lord ELGIN grew imperative upon the necessity of opening a port in Manchooria to European shipping, and the necessity of pushing the field of European traffic to the verge of the inland desert. The concession of free travel through the empire, and of a port in Shingking, at a point easily attainable from Shanghae, and open to the importation of foreign manufactures, was the result—a result of greater importance to American than to English commerce. For the whole of Manchooria is peculiarly a market for the heavy manufactures of the American mills, and American traders and shipping will, doubtless, as they have uniformly done before, possess themselves of the better share of the internal commerce thus secured.

Observing the negotiations at Tien-tain from this point of view, it is obvious that, while the burden and heat of the war fell to Great Britain and France, the profit from, the force of circumstances, inured to Russia and America. In the great work of dissolving the heterogeneous association of races constituting the Chinese Empire, the diplomacy of the Muscovite has been most efficient. In attacking the frame of Government which sustains the Manchoo rule, the English have played their part. The inevitable result of the two movements is, that an empire, whose origin lies beyond the Deluge, must presently pass beneath the influences of a progressive civilization, before which the present double advances of the Chinese people are no better than the tottering steps and stammerings of infancy. Divested of the prestige of universal sovereignty; stripped of territory familiar even to the wandering of the pedlar who bore the wares received at Canton, to the bazaars of Kashgar; menaced in his own Capital by foreigners, who are held, in the popular esteem, to be no more than tributaries and suppliants, it is simply impossible for the imperial authority to retain any of that influence, which rendered KIEN-LONG the grandest despot of the world. The rebellion of TAI-PING has already set the example for a rebellion in Yunnan and Kwangsi, the southernmost of the eighteen provinces. It is still uncertain whether the mob of Canton will submit to the conditions of the recent peace. The incentives to dishonesty, peculation and smuggling, previously carried to an unexampled excess by Chinese officials, are increased immeasurably by the new commercial system, thus still more hopelessly impoverishing the Imperial exchequer. Add to these considerations the loss of frontier territory, including the Island of Saghalien, lying in the Japanese waters, as large as Cuba, to Russia, and we must perceive how likely these novel and startling elements in Chinese politics are to prove fatal to the existing sovereignty, without which the commercial advantages secured by the several treaties must be idle and valueless. No charge could be more futile than that which sees in the pacific course of Mr. REED a triumph of American policy. The true American policy was to prevent any dismemberment of China, and any such violent interference with the exclusive system of the Manchoos as should endanger the actual dynasty, or impair its ability to protect the Western Powers in the enjoyment of reasonable privileges, and to preserve the population in that peaceful subjection essential to the development of popular industry, the wealth of which must flow into our treasuries. These securities have been lost in the warmth of the Anglo-Russian contest for Asiatic supremacy; and it is only left for us to make the most of our opportunities before the inevitable results of that conflict are realized.

The Changes of Ten Years.

To hear of Mr. SMITH O'BRIEN's being in the field again, as an agitator, carries us back through ten very changeful years, so changeful that his voice sounds almost like the voice of a ghost. When he was last most prominently before the public LOUIS PHILIPPE had just vacated the French throne, and the Republic had just been proclaimed, and the millennium was commonly supposed by the more liberal European politicians to be near at hand. The rising in France was followed by risings in every quarter of Europe except Russia. Even the Chartists had their jubilee, and on the 10th of April, ten years ago, threatened to intimidate the House of Commons, and expressed themselves in disrespectful terms about the Speaker. Mr. SMITH O'BRIEN and Mr. THOMAS FRANCIS MEAGHER went as a deputation to Paris, and were received with due solemnity by LAMARTINE, as the representatives of the Irish nation, then on the eve of a sanguinary revolution. People in England watched their movements with intense anxiety, and conned over the report of the interview between the three potentates with anxious eyes, not knowing but that an offensive alliance might come of it. LAMARTINE, himself, was then a great man also. He lived in splendor at the Hotel de Ville. All the ladies in France wrote him letters, and asked for locks of his ambrosial hair. He wore a scarf, and had just made the great tri-color speech which forever ruined the red flag in the estimation of all respectable people. LOUIS BLANC was his colleague, and so was LEDRU ROLLIN. MARTIN BERNARD was a great man also, and was earning the honorary designation of Clubbiste, which he has ever since enjoyed. LOUIS NAPOLEON had just gone across to Paris, leaving his washerwoman and a number of other persons in considerable perplexity about certain portions of their accounts. KOSSUTH was just beginning to stump the country in Hungary, and CHARLES ALBERT to take the field for liberty in Italy. The King of Hanover had been assaulted by a blacksmith in his own palace, and the Pope had fled from Rome. Ireland was laboring partly in the throes of famine and partly in the agony of intense political excitement. JOHN MITCHEL was threatening to make a levy upon all the grain in the island for the use of the tenant farmers, and GAVAN DUFFY was making preparations for erecting barricades in Stephens' Green. Everything portended the commencement of what is called "a new era." Monarchies were confidently looked upon by a large number of thinking persons, as things of the past, profaned and despised relics of a barbarous age.

It would be hard to imagine anything more entirely different from the state of things which all the signs of the times then prognosticated, than the state of things which we now witness in Europe. Almost every expectation which the wisest man might then have fairly entertained has been utterly falsified. The events of that time have led to any results but those we looked for, and the actors have played any parts but those they promised us. SMITH O'BRIEN has been round the world—has come home somewhat sadder, and we feel sure much wiser, and now makes almost as strange a figure upon the political stage as if he were a man of another generation. THOMAS FRANCIS MEAGHER, from the brilliant orator and whilome candidate for Parliament, with a gorgeous future before him, has dwindled into a lecturer on Costa Rica, with appropriate illustrations, and Editor of the *Irish News*. JOHN MITCHEL, when last seen, was the frantic defender of the rights of the poor laborer, of the liberties of the "mere Irish," against the Anglo-Saxon caste. To-day he devotes his life to preaching the transportation and perpetual enslavement of a race weaker, more helpless and more persecuted than even the Irish Celt. LOUIS NAPOLEON is no more seen on the shady side of Bond-street, in seedy habiliments, or sneaking into the grand dining-room at St. James'. A thousand guards turn out and a thousand drums roll as he passes along the streets of the gayest capital in the world, the sovereign of one of the most powerful of empires. The Pope is back in Rome, and is safer there than he ever was since he assumed the triple crown—is disgusted with political reform, but deeply interested in infant Jews. CHARLES ALBERT is dead; the Austrians are back in Lombardy; RADETZKI and HAYNAU, the great men of 1848, are no more; KOSSUTH is earning an honest and a painful living for himself and his family in Upper Gower-street, London; GROSSETE is making experiments in chemistry; LEDRU ROLLIN muses over the decline of England at Brompton; LOUIS BLANC seeks new material in the British Museum; LAMARTINE is getting up subscriptions, not for the regeneration of mankind, but for his own support; Ga-

[illegible] rooted than ever they were. The cause of constitutional monarchy has gained Piedmont, but it has lost France, and no gains can compensate for such a loss; and the men who served it most faithfully are either like GUIZOT, living in close retirement, or are like MONTALEMBERT, pursued by the police.

Nowhere has the change been more marked than in Ireland, where SARAH O'BRIEN has been gently stirring the ashes of the old fire of agitation. Since 1848, she sent a third of her population over here. Over $100,000,000 worth of her real estate has changed hands. Since the Elizabethan and Cromwellian confiscations, no such revolution in property has ever taken place. Title-deeds which were given by Black TOM WHITEWORN, and still blacker Ironsides, and have ever since been untouched in the same strong boxes, have crumbled before the hammer of the Encumbered Estates Court. Mortgages, and charges and liens which one hundred and fifty years of riotous living, have been piling up, to crush the unhappy peasantry into the dust, have been swept away at one blow. The most gratifying feature in the change is that, of the £23,000,000 worth of estates which have been sold, £20,000,000 have been bought by Irishmen, and only about one-third by Englishmen or Scotchmen. This is all that that great year of trading, writing, beseeching, speeching and fighting,—ever memorable, sad, ridiculous 1848,—has bequeathed Europe. Would it not be as well under all the circumstances to let it sleep in its grave? To talk over it, as Mr. O'BRIEN is doing, can only serve to dishearten the most sanguine patriot or philanthropist Europe can produce. The lesson the past teaches most strongly is the folly of being over confident.

Railway Management.

Mr. ROBERT STEPHENSON, on taking the chair of the Institution of Civil Engineers, congratulated its seven hundred members that their calling had risen from a craft to a profession. These words embody the essential principle of that engineering success which is to-day the wonder and triumph of the age. Man's mastery over matter is no longer the uncertain struggle of instinct and brute force; it is the confident authority of intellect, marshaling the roving forces of Nature, regulating their fearful power, and exacting their unremitting service.

In countries distinguished for the most economical, expeditious and safe means of transportation, such engineering ability enjoys the *confidence* of money-power, that is, it has risen to a profession. Just such engineering ability in this country is ranked by a majority of railway owners and directors, in their practice at least, as a craft,—as a mere tool to execute, and not as a creative power to design and preserve their works. On this point there is ample proof in their daily neglect and frequent contempt of such ability, and ample commentary in the fact that the working expenses of railways in England are less than *one-half the working expenses of American roads, for the same mileage.*

Now, this engineering ability employs a certain sure and indispensable method of steadily advancing in practical success,—its very name is a terror to the railway owner, and a skeleton by the fireside of the Director. It is *Experiment*. "What!" say the accustomed recipients of dividends, "shall a tythe of our wonted interest be wasted in a new and expensive machine whose success is problematical? Shall we sacrifice a jot of our already-decreasing dividends to enable some poor inventor to saddle on our road his worthless trap? Let well enough alone; we always have *got along*, and we have no right to waste the money of our stockholders in experiments." In these very terms of pious horror do the managers of railways in the same breath acknowledge the steady failure of their trust, refuse needed aid, and own their inability to distinguish aid from injury.

The plain causes of such suicidal sentiments on the part of the ultimate managers of railways—for officers and employes, as a class, do not share them—are no more simple and evident than the remedy. Among the causes are the following:

First—The bare idea of experiments savors of *money risked*. It is true that the business of the commercial public is to risk money, but the very basis of commercial operation is risking for fixed periods, and attaching commercial disgrace to the party who is not "up to time." Promptness is the rule, and delinquency the exception, because the chances and circumstances of the risk are approximately *known*. But in *engineering experiments* the reverse is true. Men who penetrate the great unknown must search with cautious steps for new forces, and watch patiently for the development of their laws. Commercial faith begins to falter at ninety days; it will not take risks so foreign to its habits, even though it cannot look in any direction without seeing some wonderfully successful achievement of science, which grew up almost against hope, amid the derision and unbelief of a strictly commercial public. No great problem in engineering has been fully solved at the first trial, or by one set of experimenters.

Second—Commercial wisdom, wonderful as are its achievements in its own department, cannot trace through their successive stages of progress the issue of engineering problems. For instance, a banking Railway-President may shrewdly appreciate every possible circumstance of a system of loans, (except to the railways *he* may manage,) but if he sits in judgment, as he often does, on an improved *valve-motion, he does not habitually fall back* upon such fundamental truths as these: that a contracted steam-opening reduces the working *steam to a wastefully low pressure*; that the premature shutting-off of exhaust steam produces an injurious back-pressure; that a premature exhaust does not secure the complete effect of the steam used; that the friction of valves is enormous and unnecessary; and that parts under light strain may be more numerous without augmenting wear-and-tear expenses. If the improvement contemplates a remedy of these defects, he neither sees the certainty of its accomplishment, nor the necessity of any remedy at all, nor the score of new defects which it may develop, and he will not risk money on the experiment. Yet every good engineer will risk all he has in the world on the fact that at least twenty per cent. of the steam now used might be saved by an improved valve-motion. This would be a matter of millions of dollars a year to all our railways.

Third—The money in which experiments are conducted, if at all, by the commercial management, is calculated to disgust the commercial mind. Without detailing familiar instances, let it suffice to say that sometimes the supply is prematurely cut short to a dividend or a handsome monthly statement of received expenditures for speculating purposes, and almost the entire cost of a thorough experiment, which in the best possible speculation for all the stockholders, is simply [illegible] the [illegible] feeling effect is raised with a [illegible] and [illegible] in his own or any able engineer's knowledge, but only in the distortions of his own or some crude-minded speculating patentee's imagination, he plunges the road into a series of reckless, costly and wasteful experiments, which, when thus already *always fail*. What is the result? The very name of experiment is henceforth the horror of him and all his house and the very knowing public.

Oftentimes intelligent officers undertake an important experiment; the new device is well made, well applied, and—that is the last of it. It is not followed up with watchfulness and vigilance. The officers of railways do not know the real value of one in five hundred of the improvements they may have adopted, and so are not stimulated to employ them universally.

The conclusion of the whole matter is, that railway owners *must* have faith enough in competent engineers to authorize some well-advised and judicious experiments, or else leave their property to waste away in the smoke of half-burned fuel, in the washing of half-drained earthwork, in the *debris* of half-preserved sleepers, in the splinters of half-welded rails, and in the dust and wreck of half-made machinery, which racks and grinds itself to pieces on the half-built fabric which they were assured would be finished out of its earnings! At least fifty millions of dollars a year are sunk in the maintenance of our railways, which a few years of wise engineering, together with real mercantile shrewdness, might prepare them to add to their yearly savings.

North and South.

There is nothing surprising in the information that the extreme Southern Press does not admire Senator HAMMOND's speech, which we have already published and reviewed in the TIMES. That exposition of a wise, moderate and sagacious policy is not likely to be less distasteful to the fire-eating secessionists of the South than to the professional agitators at the North. It is just what either party of fanatics will esteem dangerous to its own particular aim, and fatal to the unhealthy agitation which has so long convulsed the country. It suggests a platform of peace, on which all true friends of the Union can meet without any departure from preconceived views of the policy by which the government of the country should be guided. Meanwhile, the people at large will be very apt to look at this, among the other important signs of the times, with the attention which it demands. The public mind is beginning to recognize the fact that the benefits of mere party domination are confined to party alone, and tend to nothing beyond it, save to the discredit of the national reputation and the bankruptcy of the national exchequer. The feeling is becoming every day more general, that the prosperity of the country is so far independent of political combinations as to be able to disregard and defy them all with advantage.

We regard the assertion that "these States must ultimately be all free or all slave," as one of those "glittering generalities" of eloquence which, though they are susceptible of being held up to mean a very great deal, mean, practically, just nothing at all. They are sententious nothings which help to round a paragraph, but which point no principle and inculcate no useful policy. But we believe it may safely be asserted, as the natural result of our Republican institutions—of the continually-increasing spread of education among our people, and of the inevitable tendency of the public opinion of the world—that these States must ultimately be all free. There is no feature in the history of our progressive development as a nation that does not steadily tend to this result. There is not, in the minds of our wisest statesmen, North or South, a national hope or aspiration connected with the future of the United States that does not, however remotely, hinge on this consummation. We regard the ultimate establishment of general Freedom throughout these States as a settled and determined fact, which is in the hands of destiny, but which cannot possibly be anticipated by the act of any particular party or faction in any section of the country. We believe that general Freedom will ultimately be developed in the South, step by step, as it has been in the North. It seems to us even impossible that the future can resolve itself, in this direction, into any other result. But to be complete and satisfactory, this change must be entirely voluntary on the part of the several States which now recognise Slavery, and whose rights are supreme within their own borders. The dictation of the North will no more abolish Slavery in the South than the dictation of the South could reestablish Slavery here. There is no more authority on the one side than on the other to attempt any such interference. Above all, the Northern people should be able by this time to recognize the fact that any attempt to drive the Southern States to emancipation—to thrust upon the people in that part of the country a policy which they deem to be ruinous to themselves and detrimental to the country at large—can have no other effect than that of retarding the event which the North assumes to have at heart. The more it is sought to drive the South, the less will it be possible to urge them forward. The more the North struggles to subject the South to a system of officious persecution for conscience sake, the less likely will the South prove to submit to a course which would, if the tables were turned, be equally distasteful here. Left to themselves, and the free exercise of their own authority over their own affairs, the Southern States, we believe, would, if not speedily, at least surely, submit in the course of time to the tendencies of the age and the silent demands of civilization. Those tendencies and demands are too plainly expressed in the aspect of the times to be disregarded in the South any more than they are here; and if their influence is to be aided by Northern action, it can only be, we believe, through a total cessation of interference in the internal affairs of States which are our peers and allies in the confederation.

In the meanwhile there is abundant facility for a hearty cooperation among all the States on questions of federal policy. On all points touching the prosperity and honor of the nation at large, the interests of all sections are identical; and it is quite time that the treatment of those interests should be based on broader, more statesmanlike, and more creditable grounds than geographical distinctions can supply.

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Sir Edward Bulwer is in feeble health at Rome.

Lord Stratford de Redcliffe left Constantinople, but the day before yesterday, while passing the streets at Pera, he was accosted by his groom, being a native of Tartary, (the nativity of Mohammed,) who knew how to love driving in their carriages, and surrounded by eunuchs, the horse of the groom took fright at one of their horses, and the rider struck the groom with his whip. The groom used his whip also. While this fighting Sir Henry Bulwer endeavored to separate them, when the remainder of the cortège came up, the Ambassador had struck him several blows. The Turkish policemen interfered in favor of the groom, and conducted the Ambassador under a guard to Pera, where they found out that the groom was the Ambassador, and that the departure was postponed well postponed.

Ole Bull is traveling in Norway. As he was quietly walking quietly through the street of Christiania, smoking his cigar, he was accosted by a police officer, who led him off to the Secretary of Police, by whom he was told that he could smoking in the streets. Unfortunately Ole Bull had come out without putting his pocket; he was consequently sent to prison. It was not until the next day, on account of the Sabbath, that the official sent an order for his release. The Norwegian journals have taken up the cause of the artist, and at the present moment the action of Ole Bull is of high importance.

A Paris correspondent tells an anecdote of a dinner conversation, at Rossini, being asked by a friend where he never went to say lyrical theatre, gave, among other reasons, the following: "I am embarrassed by the Ambassador, being a bailiff, who, (the nativity of Mohammed,) would love driving in their carriages, and surrounded by eunuchs, the horse of the groom took fright at one of their horses, and the rider struck the groom with his whip. The groom used his whip also. While this fighting Sir Henry Bulwer endeavored to separate them, when the remainder of the cortège came up the Ambassador had struck him several blows. The Turkish policemen interfered in favor of the groom, and conducted the Ambassador under a guard to Pera, where they found out that the groom was the Ambassador, and that the departure was postponed well postponed."

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
GRAND COMBINATION.
THANKSGIVING MATINEE.
PICCOLOMINI AND LABORDE.
THE BARBER OF SEVILLA, LA SERVA PADRONA.
THE QUARRELLING DUET.
MLLE. PICCOLOMINI.
TWO ENTIRE OPERAS.
THE BARBER OF SEVILLE AND LA SERVA PADRONA.
Grand appearance of
MME. LABORDE.
BARBER OF SEVILLA.
Tuesday, in consequence of the length of Wednesday's opera night, the doors will open at 6½ o'clock; the performance will commence at 7½ o'clock.
PRECISELY HALF-PAST SEVEN.
CENTRAL OF SEATS AND NEW PRIVATE BOXES
Will be disposed of by auction, at the Academy of Music, on Thursday morning, at 11 o'clock. Tickets may be had at Sherry's, No. 21 Broadway.
THURSDAY EVENING, Nov. 17, at 7½ o'clock.
THE GALEATTE OF THE REGIMENT.
MME. PICCOLOMINI. TAMAGO.
Will be followed by the second act of
THE BARBER OF SEVILLA.
In which the great vocalist
MADAME LABORDE
will appear as Rosina, assisted by Lorini, Tagliaferri, Tamagno, Rocco, Marcotti.
MADAME LABORDE
Will sing the celebrated Cavatina of
UNA VOCE POCO FA.
THE CARNIVAL OF VENICE.
Mlle. PICCOLOMINI
Will sing the national character of the
PETULANT HOUSEMAID.
During the music lesson in the opera Fabbrica, will be sung
THE QUARRELLING DUET,
From Auber's comic opera of the "Black and Lockmaith."
THE PICCOLOMINI WALTZ.
ACADEMY OF MUSIC—THANKSGIVING-DAY.
POSITIVELY THE LAST PICCOLOMINI MATINEE.
GRAND COMBINATION.
PICCOLOMINI AND LABORDE.
LA TRAVIATA AND THE BARBER OF SEVILLE.
On this occasion the entire Academy will be thrown into boxes, including the usual PRIVATE BOXES, any of which may be secured by the Day Ticket Holders.
PRECISELY HALF-PAST SEVEN.
The doors will be opened at 6½ o'clock; the performance will commence at 7½ o'clock

MISCELLANEOUS.

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REMOVAL.
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THE SOCIETY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—At the annual election of officers held on the evening preceding last, held on the 8th inst., the following officers were elected:
ISAAC LEFFERTS, President.
JOHN HARPER, 1st Vice-President.
JOHN A. BROADHEAD, Second Vice-President.
JOHN HARPER, 3d Vice-President.
JOHN J. LEFFERTS, Fourth Vice-President.
JOHN L. ROUNT, Treasurer.
CHARLES E. SQUIRE, Sec. Secretary.
ALEX. ROMAINE, Assistant Secretary.
MANAGERS.
Jas. Van Wagenen, John Aldrye.
Jas. Lee, Jos. Suckman,
Jas. Cheesman, James Manley,
Jas. Cheesman, Jr., James De Peyster Ogden.
Jas. Cheesman, 3d, Wm. Dunscomb,
Jas. Cheesman, 4th, Andrew Warner.
Rev. Thos. S. Cornelius, D. D., Rev. Jas. Johnson, D. D., } Chaplains.
Jas. Rankin, M. D., Jas. Neilson, M. D., } Physicians.
Jas. Wm. Wright, M. D., Jas. Wm. Francis, M. D., } Consulting Physicians.
TREASURER.
Jas. Boorman, John D. Van Buren.
Chas. Henry Hone, Chas. Henry Marshall.
Jas. Boorman, Wm. H. Johnson.
Jas. Boorman, John Cruikshank.
JOHN L. ROUNT, Assistant Secretary.
NEW-YORK, Nov. 14, 1858.

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GUTTA PERCHA MARINE TELEGRAPH CABLE FOR SALE.—The New-York Newfoundland and London Telegraph Company offer for sale a portion of their cable, of superior quality, same size as Atlantic Cable, with three conducting wires, manufactured by the Gutta Percha Company, of London. For particulars, apply to C. W. TOWNSEND, Secretary, No. 2 Wall-st.

GRAPES, &c. &c. &c.—Just received, Malaga Grapes, Almonds, Figs, Prunes, Raisins, Filberts, Walnuts, Pecans, Chestnuts, Cocoanuts, Pineapples, Preserved Ginger, Sardines, Anchovies, Olives, Capers, Pickles, Sauces, Cordials, Wines, Brandies, Gin, Rum, Whiskey, Ale, Porter, Cigars, Tobacco, Segars, Snuff, Pipes, Matches, Soap, Candles, Starch, Mustard, Pepper, Spices, Saleratus, Cream Tartar, Soda, Sugar, Molasses, Flour, Meal, Rice, Hominy, Grits, Oatmeal, Potatoes, Onions, Cranberries, Apples, Cheese, Butter, Lard, Hams, Shoulders, Beef, Pork, Fish, Oil, Candles, Brooms, Buckets, Washboards, Tubs, Pails, Baskets, Willow Ware, Matches, Blacking

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Board of Aldermen.—The Board met last evening, O. H. Throckmorton in the chair. Several petitions were received from the Aldermen and left over under the rule. The Protestant petitioners are not, which was interpreted to prevent the discharge of ordinance south of Canal-street and Twenty-fifth-street, except on the Battery and in the Central Park, under a penalty of $50 for each offence. On Thursday next, at 8½ A. M., the Croton Lake Gates are to be reviewed in the Park. The Commissioners accepted their invitation to be present. A resolution directing the Comptroller to draw a warrant of $2,000 to be applied to the Widows and Orphans' Fund was laid over. The ordinance passed July 18, 1856, fixing the compensation of the Collector and Deputy Collector of Assessment, was so amended that their salaries shall hereafter receive an equal percentage per cent. on all taxes of assessment returned during their term of office to the Board of Assessors. The Scattering are the more important of the reports adopted: Re-rebuild the engine of Hose Co. No. 14; in favor of giving No. 31 a new engine; to pay Patrick Burns bill of $712 88, for painting the City lamps in repair during January, February, March, and April of this year; and concurring to amend the ordinance regulating the Fire Department. A report was also adopted, concurring in pave Thirty-third-street, between Second and Third avenues, with Belgian pavement. The Board concurred in directing the Street Commissioner to make the necessary repairs to be done on pier Nos. 46 and 47, East River, under the Pilots' Office. The Finance committee presented a report in favor of paying $250 to the New-York Ophthalmic Institution. Adopted. The Comptroller was directed to sell a lot of ground between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-eighth streets, and between Third and Sixth avenues, for Engine Company No. 4. A communication was received from the Croton Aqueduct Department, submitting the award of contract for putting down pipes, between Tenth and Twelfth avenues, with Belgian Pavement.

Government of the Almshouse.—The Board of Governors met yesterday afternoon. In the absence of the presiding officer, E. P. Fabricus, Esq., was called to the Chair. Mrs. Grace M. Davies and Mrs. Harriet M. Tabb, sisters, the latter a deaf-mute, addressed the Board a letter with reference to the deaf and dumb children under its charge, who are too young to be admitted to the Asylum. They propose to establish a school for the care and instruction of such children, and wish to know whether the Governors will place this class over to them and make an appropriation for their support. The matter was referred to the Committee on Randall's Island. Fifty dollars were appropriated to enable the inmates of the Female Asylum to keep their Thanksgiving appropriately. Considerable discussion arose on a resolution, offered by Mr. Mazoway, to appoint a special Committee to improve the condition of the office of the Almshouse Commissioners, and to look after a site for a new one. It was finally decided to combine the duty of the Committee to looking up a new site. The majority seemed to think they could be contented for a few months in rooms their predecessors had occupied for years. Governor Bowgeaert said that the letter which Dr. Jackson had addressed the Governors, disputing Dr. Mesner's claim of being the original discoverer of the anæsthetic properties of sulphuric ether, be taken from the table and returned to Dr. Jackson. Governor Doane asserted his responsibility for a statement he made with considerable emphasis, viz., that this letter was in these offices from beginning to end. Yesterday morning's Times, he said, came out with an elaborate history of Anæsthesia, in which Mr. Jackson is styled a Professor in every fourth or fifth line. "He is a Professor, indeed," continued Mr. Doane; "During a late session of Congress he professed to be the inventor of the electro-magnetic telegraph. After that he professed to be a surgeon; then an engineer, of which he had never heard. Mr. Doane asserted that the patent for the discovery was originally taken out in Dr. Morton's name, and not in his and Jackson's joint name. Gov. Tompkins thought the article in the Times worthy the perusal of every member of the Board, and seemed anxious for an adjournment that it might be properly digested. Disclaiming all personal feeling with reference to the matter, he asked that the subject might be deferred until next Tuesday night. Wadsworth Shaw, the presiding officer, had requested this delay as a matter of personal courtesy, as he was obliged to be absent this evening attending a sick friend. Then there would be no further opposition made to any action the Board may choose to take. The subject was accordingly deferred. The weekly statement shows that there is overcrowding in the different departments of the Almshouse 1,401 persons. On Nov. 14, 1857, there were 7,319 persons remaining; showing an increase of 1,401 in favor of this year.

Board of Supervisors.—The Board met at 3 P. M. yesterday, the President, Elijah F. Purdy, Esq., in the Chair. The bill of Solomon Kipp for supplies furnished the Michigan-street jail during last October, amounting to $[illegible], was presented and referred to the Committee on County Officers. The report of the Committee on school expenses for 1858 in the Board of Education, was received and referred to the Committee on Annual Taxes. A communication was received giving notice that the glass ballot-boxes would be sold by auction, on No. 100 Mercer-street, on the 18th prox., to pay the expense and other expenses incurred thereon. Another communication was received from the Mayor, with a suggestion from Wilson G. Hunt and John Haight, the Commissioners appointed to build a new City Hall, that a Committee be appointed by the Board of Supervisors to confer with the Commissioners in regard to the proposed building. It was referred to the Special Committee on the new City Hall. Another from the Mayor, vetoing a report of resolutions in favor of employing counsel in several suits against the City was read. The report and resolutions were adopted in spite of the veto of 8 to 3, and the Board adjourned to Friday, the 20th prox.

Lecture by Professor Silliman on the Electric Telegraph.—A lecture was delivered last night in the Cooper Institute, before the Mercantile Library Association of this City, by Professor Benjamin Silliman Jr., on "The History and Science of the Electro-Magnetic Telegraph." The audience was large, but whether because of the deeping interest in the subject, the lack of familiarity with its more scientific details, or the unavoidable misadaptation of the lecture room in all its acoustic arrangements, the assemblage thinned by degrees, and even exhibited an impatience which at visiting and roll-call whilst the lecturer was still continuing his address. And yet the lecture was as popular in its explanations as the subject could admit of, and the illustrative experiments were made interesting and most successful. Mr. Silliman traced the history of electro-magnetism from the period of the crude but invaluable discoveries of Volta and Galvani, through Oersted and successor experimentalists down to those of our own day, of whom Morse, Henry and Bourne were especially entitled to commendation for their practical improvements on the telegraphic art. He expressed his belief in the practicability of an ocean sub-graph between Europe and America, but thought that those delicate apparatus would be required in place of those now in use.

Exhibition of a Steam Fire-Engine.—The steam fire-engine Phœnix, built in Cincinnati by Mr. Lane, and brought to this City a few days since for exhibition, played at the Park Fountain yesterday afternoon, and attracted a throng of spectators. It is the twenty-first machine of the kind that has been constructed, and performed admirably. Two streams of water, each one inch and an eighth in diameter, were thrown simultaneously to great distances. The force of the machine threw streams horizontally to a distance of 300 feet. The vertical streams reached the height of 190 feet. The Broadway Bank, a very lofty building on the western side of Broadway, had its roof drenched from the hose placed inside the Park railings, and the power was constant. The construction of the Eclipse is similar to all of the specimens previously made by Mr. Lane. The engine is self-propelling, requires but little fuel, and is a handsome piece of mechanism. It goes directly to Boston for exhibition. The cost of the engines is $3,500 each.

Distinguished Military Visitors.—The "Chevalier Bizarre" of Philadelphia, one of the finest corps of Pennsylvania Citizen Soldiery, will arrive in New-York to-day, and remain over Thanksgiving, on which day, at 2 o'clock, they will give a public exhibition of a series of rare and unique military evolutions, in which they have no superior or equal. These evolutions are somewhat similar to the drill of the French Chasseurs. It consists of open ranks, file to the right and left face, double quick pace, solid square, &c. The astonishing beauty of the uniform of the "Bizarre," which is partly Oriental in its character, will, no doubt, create a sensation among our military circles. The Company numbers 110 men, most of whom are over six feet in height. They will be commanded, on this occasion, by George W. Wenz, and be accompanied by Reed's celebrated Brass band. They will be quartered, in this City, by the Lindsay Blues, one of our crack independent Companies. The Company will arrive this evening by the boat, and Camden and Amboy Railroad.

Fire and Hairbreadth Escape.—A few minutes after 10 yesterday morning, a fire caught in a stable in the rear of the slaughter-house No. 87 First-avenue. A boy who was sleeping in the hay-loft over the stable, narrowly escaped being burned to death. He was saved by means of a ladder. The fire was confined to the stable, the hay being wet, and unharmed.

Ingenious Swindlers Foiled.—The Comptroller attempted that, at 1 o'clock, yesterday, he would sell, at auction, at the City Hall, the lease for ten years of the Ferry from Grand-street, New-York, to Grand-street, Brooklyn, E. D.; and also the lease, for the same period, of the Ferry from Peck-slip, New-York, to the foot of South Seventh-street, Brooklyn, E. D., or to some landing adjacent thereto. At the hour appointed, there was quite a large gathering, but the sale did not take place. It was announced that the day previous the sale had been postponed, would be advertised. It was stated that the reason for the postponement was that the Common Council had not yet authorized the sale.

Auction of the Crystal Palace Ruins.—John S. Bryce, Esq., of the firm of Gazlay, Bryce & Co., Auctioneers, discharged the last rad effects yesterday for the Crystal Palace remains. The cars going to Forty-fourth-street were hardly so crowded, as the square so thronged, as on the day when this once beautiful building was dedicated. Barely two hundred persons attended the sale; but these were men with an eye to the useful rather than to the ornamental. They were the principal foundry owners of the City. The chilling wind swept so unsympathizingly over the desolate space next the reservoir that none but those expecting to profit thereby could be induced to linger long where formerly there was no lack of articles pleasing to gaze upon. It required an imagination more than poetical to forge from those shapeless heaps of iron those specimens of handicraft which were the pride of their makers. But it is a philosophical principle that no particle of matter can be destroyed, and luckless fabricators of pianos, corn shellers, printing-presses, &c., &c., may have the consolation of thinking that the metal which entered into the composition of the different products of their skill may yet be made available in driving steamships over the ocean, or in supporting the walls of their own residences and warehouses. Shortly before noon the sale began. The conditions were peremptory. Nothing but cash, and that, too, in bankable money, would satisfy the auctioneer's demands. All bills, too, it was announced, must be settled the day succeeding the sale. Such preliminaries being understood, the sale proceeded. Wrought-iron was sold in lots of 1 to 3 tons; cast-iron in lots of 10 to 500 tons. The prices for the former ranged from $22 to $35 75. The prices for the latter varied between $16 and $17 25. Among the principal buyers were D. L. Seymour, J. L. Jackson & Co., Parker, Junior & Co.; W. & H. P. Dodgeardt, Jas. Murray & Co., D. W. Wardens, and Silas C. Herring. Late in the afternoon, when 1,500 tons had been sold, (1,200 of cast, and 300 of wrought iron,) the sale was adjourned. Four or five hundred tons remain unsold, which will be disposed of in two days. The whole premises are to be watched by the police for one week, free of expense to the purchasers; but the property will be at the risk of the purchasers from the time of sale. Quite a number of gazers on from out of town were coming and going through the day, but they took no active part in the sale.

A Libel Suit.—Señor Antonio José de Irisarri, one of the Ministers from the Republic of Nicaragua to the Government of the United States, has sued the Editor of the Times for libel,—laying the damages to his character at the moderate sum of $25,000. Which of the Transit Companies is at the bottom of this speculation will probably appear when the case comes to trial. Thus far we are not aware what statement in the Times is supposed to have inflicted this trifling injury upon His Excellency's character.

The Game of Chess by Telegraph.—The game of chess between the New-York Chess Club and the Athenæum players of Philadelphia was commenced over the wires of the American Telegraph Company at 6 o'clock last evening. The five New-York players were seated at a table in the centre of the large apartment under the rotunda at the Merchants' Exchange, with two chess boards before them. The room was filled with amateur players who, provided with small pasteboard chess-boards, marked the progress of the game very attentively. The New-Yorkers made the first move, playing with the black chess-men. The Philadelphians declined to play an "open" game, and their second move indicated that the game would be a "close" one. Play will be commenced each evening at 6 o'clock and end at 10 o'clock. It will be continued probably for many evenings to come.

Misfortune to the Liberty Pole.—The attempt, yesterday, to raise the new gigantic Liberty Pole, at the corner of Franklin-street and West Broadway, terminated in a disastrous failure. While the pole was being hoisted, and after it had attained an altitude of forty-five degrees, the ropes suddenly gave way, and the enormous object came tumbling to the ground, where it now lies in four broken fragments. The mass fell upon a hydrant, which it smashed, of course, and let loose a good-sized river upon the neighborhood. The idea of raising the entire pole appears to have been a mistake; it should have been hoisted in pieces.

The Weather.—Yesterday was a cold, gloomy, wintry day—a forerunner of the season that is fast approaching. Overcoats were a necessity, and even furs were not out of place. At sunrise, yesterday morning, the thermometer stood at 8° below the freezing point—unusually cold for the middle of November.

Police Reports.

Examination of the Brooklyn Counterfeiters.—A good deal of interest is still manifested in the late arrests in Brooklyn, at the cottage on Myrtle-avenue, of the three men Edward Edwards, Samuel James and Edward Cook, and the woman Amelia Edwards, supposed to have been counterfeiters of United States coin. The apparent respectability of the parties, the bold, extensive scale of their operations, the unprecedented skill displayed in the manufacture of the spurious coin, and the utter failure, thus far, to trace the previous history of the accused, have combined to render the case one of more than ordinary interest. One of the prisoners (Cook) has shown that he was an innocent visitor at the house when the Police made their descent. Upon this showing he was discharged. He claims, however, to know nothing as to the antecedents of the accused, or, if he does, insists on preserving the strictest silence. Capt. Walling, of the Detective Police, has been corresponding with the Police authorities of the leading Western and Southern cities to ascertain, if possible, where the prisoners operated previous to their honoring Brooklyn with a visit about two months ago; but he has learned nothing that could give him any clue to their identity. The accused, meantime, have been locked up in Eldridge-street Jail, and still exhibit no sort of nervousness as to the result, beyond taking the natural and unavoidable step of employing defending counsel. The examination commenced at 2 P. M. yesterday, before United States Commissioner Bridgham. Detective Officer Sampson was the only witness examined, and his evidence was principally a repetition of the facts contained in the account of the arrests published in Friday's Times. He stated that he went to the house of the prisoners, on Thursday last, in the character of a peddler, carrying with him a box of dry goods; he rang the bell and James opened the door. He asked James if the ladies of the house would like to purchase any dresses or fancy articles, to which James replied that the ladies of the house were not at home. While he stood at the door trying to strike a bargain with James, he heard the signal of Officer Walling, who had meantime effected an entrance from the rear. He immediately pushed James aside, and, accompanied by Officer McCord, rushed into the house and found Edwards and his wife in charge of Officers Walling and Elder. Assisted by Officer McCord, he arrested James and Cook. All four of the prisoners were then removed into the front room and searched. None but good money was found upon their persons. Officer McCord then opened a bureau drawer, and found therein a quantity of bogus coin, and dies for manufacturing one-dollar and twenty-shilling gold pieces. Other parts of the house were searched, and in the back basement was found a lathe and some files, and on the mantel-piece bottles filled with chemicals, marked "nitric acid," "muriatic acid," "sulphuric acid" &c. A closet contained some twenty bottles containing chemicals, acids, vitriols, sheets of oreide, a metal about the color of gold, some of which were perforated with holes; also, pieces of oreide of the size of one-dollar and twenty-shilling gold coins. In another part of the house were fifty-two finished dies, with a lot of other counterfeiting apparatus. In one of the rooms were found two *gentlemen's vests, with bogus one-dollar* gold pieces in the pockets; but the officers could not tell to whom the vests belonged; none of *the prisoners claimed them as their* property. The examination will be resumed at 1 P. M. to-day.

Suffolk Bank Reserve—Circulation or Mutilated Bank Bills.—A Boston Bank President called yesterday on Superintendent Tallmadge, and expressed his belief that some parties were actively engaged in putting worthless bills of his bank in circulation in this City. The name of the bank is the Maverick Bank, the President, Mr. Samuel Hall, and the amount of the worthless bills $50,000. Mr. Hall says that some time ago he and several of the directors took $50,000 of mutilated bills of their bank to an iron foundry, consigned them to the furnace, and then left. Since then bills upon their bank with burned edges have been presented at their desk and elsewhere. They traced one of the bills to a workman who had been employed in the foundry, but who, directly after the wholesale bill burning, in question, threw up his situation, and had since kept himself seduously secluded. The similar appearance of the edges of the bills shows, beyond a doubt, that they belonged to the $50,000 package supposed to have been destroyed. It is believed that the missing workman, immediately after the bills were cast into the forge, and as soon as the backs of the Directors were turned, rescued the package from the flames, and then threw up his situation at his good luck. He is supposed to have had confederates in getting rid of the bills. Several Detectives have been commissioned by Superintendant Tallmadge, to assist in the search for the guilty parties.

Hotel Thieves.—Better dressed, more pleasing and more gentlemanly men are not to be found than hotel thieves—we mean the crack thieves, who stop at crack hotels, take the best rooms, and drink the best wine. Two of this enterprising class were found at 1 o'clock yesterday morning plying their vocation at the Gramercy Park House. The night watchman detected them trying door-knobs, and caused their arrest. Several watches and other articles, which they had stolen from the rooms of boarders, were found in their possession. Skeleton keys, nippers, and other professional implements were also found upon them. They gave their names as A. L. Yooris and A. King. Justice Kelly committed them to Jefferson Market prison.

Performing Statesmen of Young America.—An instance of unusual precocity, on the part of a youthful American, has just been developed in the case of one Thomas Killeled, a boy 16 years of age. Young Thomas resided with his parents at No. 253 Avenue B, wore a stylish choker collar, a stovepipe beaver, smoked his cigars and drank worse liquor. These offences are not known in the police calender. But he did not stop here. He saw Emily Mulligan a girl nine years old, was captivated by her charms, and proposed an elopement. Taking $[illegible] of his father's funds, he ran away with the girl and the money. He was found yesterday—having squandered most of the money—and was taken before Justice Kelly and locked up for trial.

Assaulting an Ex-Justice.—Michael Donnelly, a butcher, decided yesterday to administer a little law on his own book. He had been sued for $7,000, and not liking the way the suit was managed, he attacked Ex-Justice Clarke, the opposing counsel, and gave him a dreadful beating. Donnelly was committed to answer for his violence, and Mr. Clarke was committed to the charge of a physician, his injuries being serious.

The Warebox Bank Bills.—The five youths arrested a few days since on *suspicion of having* been extensively engaged in swindling merchants with the worthless Warebox Bank bills, were arraigned yesterday before Justice Brennan. Only one, Charles Grover, *alias* Charles Livingston, could be identified or implicated in the swindle, and he was committed for trial. The other three arrested parties were discharged.

Discovery on a Gambling House.—Late last night a posse of Policemen, attached to the Tombs Police Court, made a descent on the gambling house No. 251 Broadway, kept by a man named Housewright. The officers had considerable trouble in gaining admission, and when they succeeded the gamblers had fled, taking their apparatus with them.

Coroner's Inquests.

Unknown Man Found Dead.—About daylight, yesterday morning, an unknown man was found lying dead on the sidewalk at the corner of Pearl and Centre streets. He was coarsely dressed, and showed no marks of violence. The Coroner will hold an inquest to-day.

The Ferry-boat Collision.—Richard Bishop, who was injured at the collision, on Thursday last, of the two Peck-slip ferry boats, died yesterday, at the City Hospital, from his injuries. To-day the inquest will be held. He belonged to Hempstead, L. I., and leaves a family.

Fatal Scalds.—George A. Fellenbaum a child three years old, yesterday fell into a kettle of boiling water and was fatally scalded. An inquest was held and a verdict rendered in accordance with the facts.

BROOKLYN INTELLIGENCE.

The Hon. Josiah Quincy, Jr., at the Mercantile Library.—The annual course of lectures before the Brooklyn Mercantile Library was opened last evening by the Hon. Josiah Quincy, Jr., of Boston, under most favorable auspices. Every seat was filled long before the lecturer appeared, though he was characteristically prompt; and when he entered the hall, he was warmly received by the audience. Several well-known gentlemen occupied the platform with the speaker. Mr. Roberts, after a brief explanatory address, introduced Mr. Quincy, who, on coming forward, was again greeted with applause. The subject of the lecture was Lafayette, and embraced, in addition to an eloquent eulogy upon his character and services in the cause of American Independence, an array of facts and incidents connected with his visit to this country in 1824, which deeply interested the audience. The personal acquaintance of the speaker with Lafayette, and his intimate relations with him during his triumphant receptions throughout New-England, traveling with him in the same carriage, and gathering, by personal intercourse, many of the most interesting facts which he related, imparted a freshness to the narrative, as well as a faithfulness in delineation of the person and manners of the great patriot which well repaid the attention of the listeners. The lecture embraced a history of the entire career of Lafayette, not only in this country, but in his own, after his return in 1825. His first reception in Boston; the oration of welcome by Edward Everett; his presence at the laying of the corner-stone of Bunker Hill Monument, and the oration of Webster, were passages which received the marked applause of the audience. The next lecture will be by the Hon. David Paul Brown, of Philadelphia, who has selected *The Passions* as his subject.

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WILL FAMILIES BE WISE?

All families should obtain full and never-failing supply of Gayetty's Medicated Paper for the water-closet, as it prevents piles (and is a luxury to the healthy) and also cures that terrible disease. All other paper, both plain and printed, is *poisonous* and productive of much suffering. This is a *pure* medicated paper, harmless as a preventive, and unequaled as a remedy. As a matter of economy it is (if for no other agreeable and beneficial consideration) something that should secure the patronage of everybody. A package of 500 sheets can be secured for 50 cents, at Mr. Gayetty's office, No. 41 Ann-street. All druggists, wholesale and retail, sell this wonderful article.

(Advertisement.)

Knox on Hats.—The hatter, Knox of the corner of Broadway and Fulton-street, being himself thoroughly acquainted with every department of the business, and the manufactory being under his personal supervision, the articles made are of the very best quality, and not only pleasing to the eye, but calculated to do the wearer good service. As a remarkable combination of grace, elegance and neatness, his Fall style of hats is preeminent, and cannot be excelled.

(Advertisement.)

Thayendanegea!—"Ned Buntline's" new Indian tale, entitled "Thayendanegea the Scourge, or the War Eagle of the Mohawks," is now ready in the New-York Mercury, at all news depots. It is an exciting historical romance, full of fire, pathos, poetry and beauty, and is especially interesting to New-Yorkers on account of its interesting reminiscences of Joseph Brandt, the great Chief of the Six Nations. Read Thayendanegea!

(Advertisement.)

The Way to Please Everybody.—Get up such delightful entertainments as they propose to give nearly every hour, morning, noon and evening, to-morrow, Thanksgiving Day, at Barnum's Museum. To-day, besides that monstrous Giant, that pretty dwarf lady, and all the other curiosities, Dr. Valentine and Thomas's Miniature World fascinate with their performances there this afternoon and evening.

(Advertisement.)

Holloway's Ointment and Pills.—Those who can save themselves and do not, must be classed in the category of suicides. These medicines cure Erysipelas, Dropsies, Cancers, Ague, and Asthma. 80 Maiden-lane, New-York.

(Advertisement.)

Quevu's Cod-Liver Oil Jelly.—Approved by the New-York Academy of Medicine—Possesses all the virtues of pure Cod-Liver Oil, and is taken without unpleasant taste. Physicians unacquainted with it, are requested to call at his office and investigate its merits. Office No. 135 Fourth-avenue. Perrold, Lay & Co., Wholesale Agents, No. 4 Fletcher-street.

(Advertisement.)

Affections of the Ear.—Dr. Hartley, No. 26 St. Mark's-place, is the only recognized Aurist in the United States, and may be consulted by those suffering from deafness, noise in the head, and all discharges from the ear, with the best assurance of success. His terms are within the reach of all.

(Advertisement.)

Look at the Prices.—Crossley's Medallion Carpets, $1 50; Royal English Velvets, $1 12 and $1 25; Brussels, 75c., 80c. and 90c. per yard; all Wool Ingrains 40c. and 50c.; Oil-Cloths, 31c., 40c. and 50c.

Hiram Anderson, No. 99 Bowery.

The San Antonio (Texas) *Herald* says that Capt. Oakes has been instructed to take command of the Wichita Expedition in the event that Major Van Dorn's wounds prevent him from taking the field. Capt. Bradfute's Company from Chadbourne has been ordered to join the Expedition—so that there will be seven companies of Cavalry operating in the Indian country.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

For Markets see Third Page.

Sales at the Stock Exchange.....Nov. 15.

$15,000 Tenn. 6s, '90	64½	100 Har. RR. Pref'd	30
3,000 Virginia 6s	96½	100 do	30
15,000 do	96⅞	15 Stonington R. R.	57
500 do	97	100 Reading R.R	50
7,000 Mo. Bds. 6s	64½	200 do	50½
21,000 Ill. State 6s	67	100 do	50½
26,000 do	67	600 do	50½
10,000 Cal. 6s, 7s new bs	92	400 do	50½
5,000 N. State 5 p.c. bds.	107⅞	1500 do	50½
24,000 Mich. State 6s	82.101⅞	500 do	50⅞
7,000 Ill. Cen. RR. bds	90½	1300 do	50⅞
4,000 Har. RR. 1st mt.	80	200 do	50⅞
1,000 Ill. Cen. RR. bds	90½	100 do	50⅞
4,000 T. H. & A. 2d mt	46	125 La C. & Mil. R. R.	74
3,000 L.C. & M. L. G. bds	27	10 Mich. Cen. R. R.	82½
2,000 C. St. P. & F. Dubuque Land Grant Bds.	44	50 do	82½
		50 do	82½
4,000 L. E. & W. 2d m. Bs	53	50 do	82½
500 N.J. Cent. 2d m. Bs	62	100 M. S. & N. I. RR.	22⅞
4,000 Ill. & Chic. 1st m	82	100 M. S. & N. I. Guar. Pf.	78⅞
1,000 M. So. 2d m. Bds.	63	100 do	80
20 Bd. State of N. Y.	102	100 do	80
10 Com. Bank	79	200 do	81
5 Del. & Hud. C. Co.	71½	300 do	81
200 Penn. Coal Co.	106½	100 do	81½
100 Cham. Preferred	12½	100 do	81½
20 Amer. Guano Co.	70	50 do	81½
100 Mil. & Miss. R. R.	19	100 Panama R. R.	119½
100 Pacific M.S.Co.	102	100 do	119½
100 do Bwk.	105½	100 Ill. Cen. R. R.	90
50 do	105½	200 do	79½
50 do	105½	100 do	80
100 N.Y. Cen. R.R.	78	10 Clev. Col. & Cin. R.R.	94
600 do	80	100 Gal. & Chi. RR.	72
100 do	81	50 do	72
50 do	81	100 do	72½
100 do	81½	100 do	72½
400 do	81½	100 do	72½
100 do	81½	100 do	72½
200 do	81½	50 do	72½
50 do	81½	100 do	72½
200 do	81½	100 do	72½
200 do	81½	100 do	72
100 do	82	10 Clev. & Tol. R. R.	83
100 do	81½	100 do	83½
100 do	81½	100 do	83½
100 do	82½	50 do	87
100 Erie R. R.	16½	200 Ch. & R. Is. R.R.	62
50 do	16½	100 do	62½
50 do	16½	100 do	62½
50 do	16½	100 do	62½
50 Hud. Riv. RR.	33	200 do	62½
50 do	33	200 do	62½
50 do	33½	100 do	62½
50 do	33½	100 do	62½
50 do	33½	100 do	62½
50 do	33½	100 do	62½
50 Harlem Railroad	12½	100 do	62½
100 do	12½	50 do	62½
50 do	12½		

3,000 Missouri 6s	66	50 Mich. Cen. R. R.	82½
1,000 R. C. Wat. Loan	100	50 do	82½
19,000 Ill. Cen. R. bds	90½	100 M. S. & N. I. RR.	81½
10 do	90	100 do	81
3,000 La C. & Mil. L. G.	27	50 do	80
10 Cumberland Pref.	27½	50 do	80
20 N. Y. Cent. RR.	82½	100 do	80½
200 do	82½	100 do	81½
200 do	82½	100 do	81½
200 do	82½	50 Panama R. R.	119½
200 do	82½	100 do	120
200 do	82½	100 do	119½
200 do	82½	50 Cal. & Chi. R. R.	72½
200 do	82½	75 do	72½
100 do	82½	100 do	72½
15 N. J. Cen. R. R.	62	50 do	72½
200 Hudson Riv. R. bds	33½	50 do	72½
100 do	33½	100 do	72½
100 Reading R. R.	50	200 do	72
100 do	50	100 Clev. & Tol. R. R.	83
200 do	51⅛	200 Chic. & R. Is. RR.	62½
100 do	50½	50 do	62½
100 do	50½	200 do	62½
100 do	50½	50 Artisans' Bk.	82½
100 do	50½	25 Arcade F. Ins. Co.	104
100 do	50½	20 N. N. F. Ins. Co.	75
100 do	50½	100 La C. & Mil. R. R.	74
100 do	50½	100 Chi. St. P. & F. Pref.	
100 do	50½	do La C. & M.	74
100 do	50½	100 N. Y. & P. Coal Co.	5
100 do	50½	20 Amer. Exp. Co.	85
100 do	50½	15 New-Brun. R. Co.	80
100 do	50½	60 N. Y. Cen. 81% Co	84½
100 do	50½		

Reported Sales by Auction.

$1,000 Missouri 6s	66½	15 Fac. M. S. Co.	105½
1,000 Memphis City 6s	77½	10 Mich. Cen. R.R.	80
1,000 N. Y. & E. R. 7s	87½	200 LaC. & Mil. R. R.	74
1,000 LaC. & M. R. 7s	27	50 Artisans' Bk.	82½
2,000 N.Y. & H. R. R. 7s	81	20 Arcade F. Ins. Co.	104
6,000 LaC. & M. R. 8s	60	20 N. N. F. Ins. Co.	75
4,000 Chi. St. P. & Fon du Lac R. 8s	12	100 LaC. & Mil. R. R.	74
3,000 M. & Hortonia R. 8s	10	100 Chi. St. P. & F. Pref.	
2,000 So. & R. Val. 7s	10	do La C. & M.	74
20 Metropolitan Bank	109½	100 N. Y. & P. Coal Co.	5
10 Hanover Bank	90	20 Amer. Exp. Co.	85
20 Am. Ex. Bank	106½	15 New-Brun. R. Co.	80
10 Bank of Commerce	104	60 N. Y. Cen. 81% Co	84½

Tuesday, Nov. 16—6 P. M.

The general tone of the Stock market improved to-day. The orders at the early Board created quite a spirited competition among buyers, and a large business was accomplished, at an advance of ⅛@1 ⅌ cent. on the prices of yesterday. This feeling continued on the Street, between the sessions, and on the printed list at the Second Board. The registered sales of the day begin to look like the animated operations in October. Already several prominent speculators on the Street who were either large sellers for the Bear account, through last week, or sympathized with the fall, have apparently reversed their views, particularly on New-York Central. Other parties who were free sellers of this and the Western Stocks at the lowest rates of Saturday and Monday—and they are quite numerous, some of them with heavy lines out—are less disposed to suffer the market to take its new course. On the first pause in demand this afternoon they came in with fresh offers to sell, and the closing rates were consequently ⅛ ⅌ cent. off the extremes of the day. Until the rise is more decided in character, this will of course continue to be the case, and some of the speculators for the *Bull* account inside the Board doubtless humor the prevailing temper, by turning their Stocks on small profits. The aggregate sales to-day look like a return to the animated operations early in October, and the check given to the heavy decline in two of the Western Roads, together with the firmness in Hudson River and Reading, together with the large and widely distributed demand for New-York Central, afford the assurance of a more equal division of opinion at the Board toward the close of the present month, if not immediately. Another characteristic of the dealings to-day was an advance of ⅛ ⅌ cent. in Virginia and Tennessee State Stocks, and a good request for Missouris, which were held at the close for 90 ⅌ cent. The course of the prominent Railway shares, beginning with the last prices of yesterday, was:

New-York Central	81⅞@82⅛@82⅛
Galena and Chicago	72 @72½@72
Chicago and Rock Island	62 @62½@62½
Reading	50½@51⅛@51 cash
Same Stock	50, seller 30, to 50⅞, seller 30
Panama	119½@120@119½, seller 60
Michigan Preferred—a renewed demand	51½
Michigan Central sold up to	53½, buyer 60
Pacific Mail	104½@105½@105
Hudson River	32⅞@33 @33½

The cold weather is likely to close the Canal and render the river navigation less active for passengers, if not for cattle and merchandise freights. This is already helping the Hudson Road, and may nearly or quite double its December traffic, as compared with last year, when the season kept open until January. It will also help the freight traffic on the Central line, eastward as well as to the West and Canada. The Erie line increased its traffic in October, and is doing a fair business in November.

The rates for Money to-day are 3@4 ⅌ cent. to the Brokers on Stock collateral, returnable on demand, and 4@4½ for 60@90-day prime bills and 5@6 ⅌ cent. on bills, first-class, 90 days, 5@6 months. Some of the Bank managers look for continued ease through the Winter and Spring, and are less particular with strictly choice paper as to date. There was a free disposition to buy Exchange on London this forenoon at 109 for Bank bills, but above that figure to 109¼ ⅌ cent. the purchases were of a moderate character. Francs come forward in large sums from the South and closed dull, f.5.18¾@f.5.16¼ to the dollar. The Cotton export of the week from all the ports reaches 67,000 bales, equivalent to an exchange of about $3,500,000. The following is the

Cotton Crop Movement—Since Sept. 1.

	1858.	1857.	1856.	1855.	1854.
Rec. at Ports	522,000	343,000	622,000	372,000	267,000
Ex. to G. B.	173,000	135,000	85,000	202,000	112,000
Ex. to France	94,000	77,000	85,000	67,000	85,000
Ex. to other F. P.	28,000	21,000	25,000	44,000	22,000
Total Exports	295,000	176,000	167,000	359,000	189,000
Stk on hand	505,000	212,000	290,000	288,000	281,000

Of which during the past week, included in the above:

Rec. at Ports	143,000	52,000	32,000	36,000	28,000
Ex. to G. B.	41,000	26,000	24,000	34,000	17,000
Ex. to France	18,000	2,000	5,000	24,000	11,000
Ex. to other F. P.	8,000	3,000	2,000	7,000	3,000
Total Exports	67,000	31,000	31,000	65,000	31,000

In their circular for the English Mail to-day, Messrs. W. P. Wright & Co. say of the crop prospects:

"The frost alluded to in our last circular as having occurred in the South, is fully confirmed, and we have particulars of the fact that a killing frost was experienced throughout Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina, on the 9th, 10th and 11th inst. It will be safe, therefore, to assert that a killing frost was general in the cotton-growing districts on 10th November. The effect has been to stop the growth of the plant, and prevent the further making of cotton on all but the fully matured bolls. There is a disposition both here and at the South to settle upon 2,450,000 to 2,500,000 bales as the probable extent of the crop. In the course of two weeks after we receive accounts from the remote points of the cotton region as to the effect of the frost, we shall be able to give an opinion with more certainty than at present. The late exaggerated estimates are gradually being withdrawn.

Receipts are large, amounting to 143,000 bales for the week; next week they promise to be about the same. In the Atlantic markets there are indications that Cotton will not be freely sold by planters, and it is possible the receipts at Charleston and Savannah may be less excessive than of late; this week at Charleston they have received about 4,000 bales less than the average of the previous four weeks. The receipts so far are beyond those of any previous year, to corresponding dates, by 190,000 bales. The present excess is no evidence of the final result; estimates of crop and calculations made upon them are liable to result in disappointment."

Of the difficulty made by the executive management of the Galena Road with their stockholders who declined to sanction the Iowa Bridge, the *Chicago Democrat* remarks:

"The Galena Railroad